



CIVIL NUCLEAR CONSTABULARY

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19th November 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the below. Your request has been handled under Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In accordance with Section 1(1) (a) of the Act I hereby confirm that the CNC/CNPA does hold information of the type specified.

- 1. The number of data breaches committed by the Civil Nuclear Constabulary between 2019 up to the date of this request.**
- 2. The cause of these data breaches, such as emails being sent in error, or devices being lost, as well as any cyber attacks.**
- 3. What types of information was exposed in the breaches?**
- 4. Has the Civil Nuclear Constabulary received any claims in relation to any of these breaches? If so, can you advise how many have been settled, abandoned or the number on-going?**

1. CNC has self-reported 3 data breaches to the ICO in the past three years. No fines have been imposed.

2. & 3.

February 2020: Failed data extract led to misdirection of some posted Pensions Statements. ICO took no further action on basis that a thorough investigation had been carried out by CNC and a solution identified.

June 2020: Access controls were not properly managed on a shared drive leading to employees in one section able to see document titles inc Health and Safety Reports (though not the full document). ICO took no further action due to actions taken by CNC to identify, mitigate and contain the breach.

July/August 2021: In July two laptops, warrant cards and paperwork were stolen from a vehicle while locked and parked in a service station. A similar incident happened at the beginning of August. ICO made recommendations which CNC has actioned. The ICO did not feel the need to take any further action themselves as CNC had taken all possible mitigating steps.

4. No claims made against CNC.

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary is a specialist armed police service dedicated to the civil nuclear industry, with Operational Policing Units based at 10 civil nuclear sites in England and Scotland and over 1600 police officers and staff. The Constabulary headquarters is at Culham in Oxfordshire. The civil nuclear industry forms part of the UK's critical national infrastructure and the role of the Constabulary contribute to the overall framework of national security.

The purpose of the Constabulary is to protect licensed civil nuclear sites and to safeguard nuclear material in transit. The Constabulary works in partnership with the appropriate Home Office Police Force or Police Scotland at each site. Policing services required at each site are agreed with nuclear operators in accordance with the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003 and ratified by the UK regulator, the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR). Armed policing services are required at most civil nuclear sites in the United Kingdom. The majority of officers in the Constabulary are Authorised Firearms Officers.

The Constabulary is recognised by the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) and the Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS). Through the National Coordinated Policing Protocol, the Constabulary has established memorandums of understanding with the local police forces at all 10 Operational Policing Units. Mutual support and assistance enable the Constabulary to maintain focus on its core role.

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right

to complain. We will investigate the matter and endeavour to reply within 3 – 6 weeks. You should write in the first instance to:

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If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by the CNPA.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

If you require any further assistance in connection with this request please contact us at our address below:

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Yours sincerely
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