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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 1534/25 Electric Vehicle Charging Points

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 24th November 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

I am writing to make a request about electric vehicle charging points under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please can you tell me for the calendar year to date how many incidents of a) theft and b) vandalism have been reported at EV charging points in your force area. Please specify if private (at someone's home) or public charging points.

Please provide the same information for 2024 and 2023. It seems to be that most thefts are of cables but please do not limit the search to that criteria.

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case I have today decided to disclose this to you.

The information provided has been extracted from Cumbria Constabulary's crime recording system. A keyword search has been conducted using the terms 'Electric vehicle', 'EV', 'Charging point' and 'Charging'. The results were then manually reviewed for relevancy.

Please note: A keyword search may not accurately identify all information held by the Constabulary. If, for example, the words were recorded in a different field, or if another name or term was used, any such records would not be identified by the keyword search which has been undertaken.

The number of incidents of theft and vandalism that have been reported at EV charging points in the area.

	2023	2024	2025
Public			
Cable thefts	0	0	0
Vandalism	2	0	0
Private			
Cable Thefts	0	0	0
Vandalism	0	0	0
Total	2	0	0



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Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

Complaint Rights

If you believe your request has not been properly handled, or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to request an internal review.

In the first instance, please email freedomofinformation@cumbria.police.uk quoting the FOI reference number and explain why you are dissatisfied. Your complaint will be considered and a response will be provided to you after your complaint has been investigated.

If you remain dissatisfied following conclusion of the internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner.

The address for the Information Commissioner can be found below:

The Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Complaints to the Information Commissioner can also be made online:

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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