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23rd January 2025

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 9/25 Arrests under Public Order laws, Police Crimes Sentencing Courts Act 2022

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on the 3rd of January 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

This is a request for information according to the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

It relates to arrests made, and restrictions imposed, by your force under the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022.

Please note there are four parts to my request.

(1)

In the time period 28/06/2022 up to 01/01/2025, on how many occasions has your force used the powers allowed for in Section 75 of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022: Offences under sections 12 and 14 of the Public Order Act 1986?

Sections 12 and 14 of the 1986 Act (as amended by the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022) allow the police to impose any type of condition on a public procession or public assembly necessary to prevent: significant impact on persons or serious disruption to the activities of an organisation by noise; serious disorder; serious damage to property; serious disruption to the life of the community; or if the purpose of the persons organising the protest is the intimidation of others with a view to compelling them not to do an act they have a right to do, or to do an act they have a right not to do.

(2)

In the time period 28/06/2022 up to 01/01/2025, how many arrests has your force made under Section 78 of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022: the offence of intentionally or recklessly causing public nuisance

(3)

In the time period 28/06/2022 up to 01/01/2025, on how many occasions has your force used the powers allowed for in Section 79 of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022: imposing conditions on one-person protests?

(4)

In the time period 12/05/2022 up to 01/01/2025, how many arrests has your force made under Section 80 of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022: wilful obstruction of a highway?



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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 in response to your request has been extracted from the Constabulary's Custody and Arrest Recording System.

Question 1-

Please note that we are unable to provide data pre–March 2023 as this is when our recording process was implemented.

Answer- Nil

Question 2-

Answer- Nil

Question 3-

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Answer- Nil

Question 4-

Answer - 1

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.

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



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