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Heddlu Police

DYFED-POWYS

FOI Reference:

Request:

- 1) How many crimes that took place in the five years up until the day my request is answered included the word "vegan" in the free text area?

Please give the following details about each incident:

- a) Date incident took place
- b) Date incident recorded
- c) Type of crime
- d) Outcome category

Clarification:

- I. Do you require incidents or crimes as you refer to both in your request? *Please note an incident is different from a crime. An incident is a record of contact made to a police force by an individual/member of public (usually via a 999 or 101 call) and a crime is where the threshold has been met for the police force to deem that a criminal offence has occurred as defined by law.*
- II. Is "contents of the free text area" referring to the account of the crime?

Response from applicant:

I mean crimes, not incidents and by free text area I do mean the account of the crime.

Further clarification sought

Please can you confirm that you are happy to receive a brief summary of the account of the crime?

Response from applicant:

Yes, a brief summary account of the crime would be great thank you!

Response 1:

I can confirm that Dyfed-Powys Police does hold the information requested, the details of which are as follows:

- For the last 5 years there were a total of four (4) crimes that have included the word vegan

Response 1a and b:

I can confirm that Dyfed-Powys Police does hold the information requested, the details of which are as follows:

Date of crime	Date crime reported
2 x June 2018	2 x June 2018
1 x October 2018	1 x October 2018
1 x January 2019	1 x January 2019

Response 1c:

I can confirm that Dyfed-Powys Police does hold the information requested, the details of which are as follows:

Type of crime:

- 1 x Assault without injury
- 3 x Criminal damage other

Response 1d:

I can confirm that Dyfed-Powys Police does hold the information requested, the details of which are as follows:

Outcome:

- 2 x Investigation complete: No suspect identified
- 1 x Victim supports action but evidential difficulties
- 1 x Youth Restorative Disposal

Summary of Crimes:

Please note: To provide any further details in relation to the summary of the crime (below) may result in the application of an exemption.

Crime No:	Brief summary of crime
1	Individual who identifies as vegan was assaulted; no visible injuries identified
2	Pro vegan messages placed on items
3	Sign defaced with pro vegan message
4	Items defaced with anti-vegan message

It should be noted that owing to the systems adopted by Dyfed-Powys Police in relation to the recording of such matters the information provided may or may not be accurate. Police Forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide crime statistics to government bodies and the recoding 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.

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