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DYFED-POWYS

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Request:

How many dispersal orders have Dyfed Powys Police made in relation to the Coronavirus lockdown, in Ceredigion so far?

How many fines have they handed out for the same reasons, also in Ceredigion?

What is the total amount fined?

Can I also please have the reasons for each fine.

Clarification sought

Are you referring to the number of fixed penalty notices issued in Ceredigion relating to the Covid 19 lockdown?

Clarification received

I am indeed referring to the number of fixed penalty notices handed out.

- 1) I would like to know how many of them resulted in a dispersal order, and
- 2) how many in fines, and then
- 3) how much each individual fine was please.

Response:

I can confirm that Dyfed-Powys Police does hold the information requested in relation to your clarified request, the details of which are as follows and the information provided is as at the date of the request (02/05/2020):

- 1) There have been a total of zero (0) dispersal orders have been issued in Ceredigion relating to the COVID-19 lockdown.
- 2) There have been a total of 84 fixed penalty notices related to COVID-19 lockdown issued in Ceredigion resulting in a fine.
- 3) Each fine issued is £60, however if that fine is paid within 14 days then it reduces to £30. Whilst Dyfed Powys Police does issue the COVID-19 fines there is no information held in relation to the total amount of monies paid relating to these fines, this information would be held by ACRO (ACPO Criminal Records Office).

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.

(This is a response under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and disclosed on 26/05/20)