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Heddlu Police

DYFED-POWYS

FOI Reference: 268/2021.

Request:

Do you hold the following information:

I would like information on the demographic makeup of your police force.

- 1.) The total current number of police within the force, and break down by ethnicity and gender.
- 2.) The number of police recruited into the force over the last 24 month and 12 month period, and break down by ethnicity and gender.

Please provide the information up until March 2021 – or the nearest date possible to this.

Response:

I can confirm that Dyfed-Powys Police does hold the information requested; however the following exemption has been applied to that information:

Section 21 – Information reasonably accessible by other means

Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 places two duties on public authorities. Unless exemptions apply, the first duty at Section 1(1)(a) is to confirm or deny whether the information specified in a request is held. The second duty at Section 1(1)(b) is to disclose information that has been confirmed as being held.

Where exemptions are relied upon Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires -Powys Police, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which:

- (a) states that fact,
- (b) specifies the exemption in question and
- (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

The above exemption has been applied in relation to the whole request, due to the fact that the requested information is published and can be accessed via the following hyperlink -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/police-workforce-england-and-wales-31-march-2020>.

Information regarding police workforce data is published annually by the Home 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.