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Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20170274

REQUEST

1) How many individuals have been arrested under section 241 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 ("s.241") in circumstances involving tree felling- related protests in Sheffield in the last three years

2) Has s.241 been used as a basis upon which to effect arrest of individuals in circumstances other than those involving tree felling -related protests in Sheffield in the last three years. If so how many times has s.241 been so used?

RESPONSE

I approached our Custody Handling System and our Crime Management System Analysts for assistance with your request. Our Crime Management System Analyst has advised the following:

Offences recorded under the Trade Union & Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 section 241 are not crime recordable, therefore no information is held on CMS(ii).

I also contacted our Custody Handling System Administrator who has confirmed the stance above advising the following:

Investigating the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act (Consolidation) Act 1992, section 241 contains information regarding Trade Dispute – Intimidation / Annoyance.

I can't locate any offence codes or titles to extract from Custody Handling. Custody would possibly have the actual offence recorded, i.e. assaults, ASBO etc. but not the Act as above.

With this in mind, we are unable to extract any meaningful data in order to answer your questions.