

16th November 2021

Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 2021-2226

REQUEST

1. How many stalking orders were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
2. How many harassment orders were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
3. How many Non-molestation orders were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
4. How many restraining orders were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
5. How many reports of breaches of each of the above during the last 5 years were recorded within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
6. How many times these breaches were passed to the CPS from Sheffield and South Yorkshire?

If you are able to break this information down by area, this would be greatly appreciated.

CLARIFICATION REQUESTED

I have approached both our Legal Services and our PNC Bureau for assistance with your request.

They have advised the following in respect of your questions above.

The Orders listed (above) are recorded on PNC, however Hendon will only be able to provide figures for the number that are currently live in South Yorkshire as of today's date.

Further to this:

Q2 & 4 Harassment & Restraining Orders are both classed / recorded as Harassment Orders on PNC

Q5 & 6 - Our PNC Bureau have no way of establishing how many breaches there have been. This may require a manual check through all records which would far exceed the 18 hour cost threshold and exempt the whole request under Section 12. Legal Services have also advised that breaches would generally be dealt with by the CPS.

However, more positively, our Legal Services have advised the following in respect of question 1:

It is not clear whether the requestor is asking about stalking protection orders, however, if it is stalking protection orders, we can confirm that we have had 2 stalking protection orders granted since January 2020 (which is the date when the legislation relating to these orders came into force).

In light of the information above, please forward your refined request if still appropriate, to South Yorkshire Police. In the meantime, this request will be 'stopped' on our database until this has been received.

REFINED REQUEST:

1. How many harassment orders (known as Harassment & Restraining Orders) were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
2. How many Non-molestation orders were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?
3. How many restraining orders were given in the last 5 years within Sheffield and South Yorkshire?

RESPONSE

As indicated in my request for clarification following your initial request:

*The Orders listed (above) are recorded on PNC, however Hendon will only be able to provide figures for the number that are currently live in South Yorkshire as of **today's date**.*

Your refined request still asks for orders given in the last 5 years and unfortunately, we are not able to provide this information. As such our formal response can only be one of 'no information held'.