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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI756779533

Thank you for your request for information relating to Police PCNs / Driving fines.

You have requested the following information:

I understand marked police vehicles are exempt from receiving Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) when patrolling. However, I would like to request details relating specifically to unmarked police vehicles operated by West Midlands Police.

For each of the last five financial years, up to 2024/25, please provide the following information:

- 1. The total number of PCNs issued to registered, unmarked West Midlands Police vehicles for contravention of bus lanes or bus gates.
- 2. Of these, how many:
- \* were paid in full,
- \* were cancelled,
- \* remain outstanding.
- 3. The total value of any payments received in relation to these PCNs. (This being paid directly out of the Pocket of the Police Officers/Staff).
- 4. If cancellations were made, on what grounds were they granted?

In response to your request, we confirm that it is a nil response. To clarify, bus lane / bus gate

restrictions use Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) enforcement cameras to detect unauthorised vehicles. The same ANPR cameras also use databases consisting of 'exempted' vehicles that are authorised to use the bus lane / bus gate restriction.

Please be advised that this use of the exemption list negates PCNs from being generated and issued to authorised vehicles. Vehicles operated by West Midlands Police are on the exemption list and therefore, PCNs are not generated for these vehicles.

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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