



Nottinghamshire

POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER



Ref 4590/15

11 July 2015

Dear

Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your request for information, which was received by the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner on 9 July 2015

INFORMATION REQUESTED

In order to defend my reasons for the alleged offence I have the following questions:

- 1) Why is it that the particular camera is situated at that position?
- 2) Does that particular camera 'double up' as a red light camera?
- 3) Would you agree that the position of the camera can exaggerate offences?
- 4) With point three in mind, why is it that I was allegedly speeding at the point in question yet not caught speeding at the speeding camera location further up the same stretch of road
- 5) Please bear in mind that I travel that journey home from work on a regular basis, what could be the cause of not being caught speeding previously at either location if my explanation is not worthwhile. the roads were wet, the light was amber and I was riding within the law prior to my realisation that I would be at risk mid junction if I hadn't absolutely momentarily increased my speed.
- 6) As you can see from the image you provided, the traffic light is still on amber as I have already crossed the stop line, I was clearly committed to the junction despite knowing personally, and as your speed suggestion of 40 mph was not travelling at a ludicrous speed, would you suggest that I should not have momentarily increased my speed in order to lessen risk to myself.
- 7) In the event of similar circumstance to mine, would you consider it necessary to cross double white lines in order to avoid a hazard.
- 8) If you did not consider it similar to momentarily crossing white lines then why not?

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9) Do you believe a police officer would have issued myself with a speeding ticket had he witnessed exactly as I have explained.

10) Would you concede that the snapshot of time as taken by the speed camera has no opportunity to capture the whole truth/facts. As a consequence such evidence is unreliable or untrustworthy.

11) I would personally like to see many many more traffic police on the streets, would you not agree this to be true and that the human element of being able to see the whole picture would most likely result in much fairer judgement and that for this reason the cameras are failing the public as they've failed me and have actually proven to have no effect on the day to day driving standards as proved on our roads. The standard of driving on our roads are very much poorer than expected and that these automated systems very much fail to properly address reckless driving?

12) Do you accept that the most vulnerable time for a motorcyclists and indeed the place where most fatal accidents occur is at road junctions.

13) Do you therefore accept that on this occasion I had a very real, reasonable and justifiable cause for a temporary increase in speed? do you therefore accept that as mentioned in my points earlier, the speed camera is presupposed to use a snapshot of time and conclusively fail to take into account the whole picture and if appropriate any mitigating circumstances and consequently the very notion of a speed camera at such a junction is fundamentally flawed.

Please find below answers to your questions:-

RESPONSE

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner does not hold the information you have requested, however this information may be held by Nottinghamshire Police. I have therefore sent your request for information to them for response.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer on telephone number 0115 8445998 or e-mail nopcc@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

Yours sincerely



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