

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 0562/2012

In reply to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, dated 23/10/2012

Can you provide details of the procurement, testing and use of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) by Cambridgeshire Constabulary Police? Can you provide details on the policies and guidance for the use of drones as used by the Cambridgeshire Constabulary Police? Can you tell me how many times drones have been used, in what circumstances, and under what policy/legislation?

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) requires us to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published, and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

We have completed all searches within Cambridgeshire Constabulary and hereby enclose your response.

Cambridgeshire Constabulary hold no information in relation to any of the questions contained within your request.

In addition to the above, Cambridgeshire Constabulary can neither confirm nor deny that we hold any other information relevant to the whole of your request by virtue of the following exemption:

S23(5) Information supplied by, or concerning, certain security bodies

The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would involve the disclosure of any information (whether or not already recorded) which was directly or indirectly supplied to the public authority by, or relates to, any of the bodies specified in subsection (3).

This is an absolute exemption and I am therefore not required to complete a public interest test.