

By email

Dear xxxx

Thank you for your online FOI request dated 7 May 2006.

The Department has now completed its search for the information which you have requested.

You would like to know the "number of serious or fatal accidents on the A647 Stanningley bypass in the last year before speed cameras were installed, compared to the last year that figures are available for".

The information held by the Department shows that there are four speed camera sites which have a site reference of A647 Stanningley bypass. The Department only holds accident and casualty information for these four sites rather than for the whole undefined length of the A647 Stanningley bypass. The information held shows that two of the four sites were established in July and December 1997 and the other two were established in June 1999. All sites were established before there were any national site selection criteria. The Department does not hold information on the 'before' data for the two sites introduced in 1997. For the two sites introduced in 1999, there were 5 Personal Injury Collisions (PICs) of which 0 were classified as KSI (Killed or Serious Injuries).

The West Yorkshire Partnership joined the national safety camera programme in April 2002. As these sites already existed prior to this date, they were accepted as existing sites and were brought into the programme. The baseline data used to bring the sites into the programme was based on the period from 1 January 1998 - 31 December 2000. This showed that at the four sites there were 15 PICs of which 7 were classified as KSI.

The latest information held by the Department relates to the year 2005 and this shows 3 PICs classified as KSI.

Further information on these sites or other sites in West Yorkshire can be found by contacting the West Yorkshire Casualty Reduction Partnership direct. I am advised that the best contact is xxxx@leeds.gov.uk.

If you are unhappy with the way the Department has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain by writing to me at this e-mail address. Please see attached details of DfT's complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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