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Dear [REDACTED]

FOI Request Reference: 2468/18

Thank you for your request for information, received 05/03/2018.

REQUEST

Under the Freedom of Information Act please answer the following:

1. What practical procedure/s does your force have in place to ensure the review and or deletion of custody images after 6 years?
2. If there is a procedure in place, how many images have been deleted as the result of a periodic review (rather than following an individual's application for deletion)?
3. How many images on your custody image database are of unconvicted persons?
4. Since February 2017, how much has your force spent on the deletion of custody images of unconvicted people?

RESPONSE

I apologise for the delay in responding.

Under section 21 of the Act, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. Please see below:

With our current systems and processes we don't routinely delete custody images, however we do have an application process which considers the Home Office criteria. Details including the application form are available on our website as below.

<https://www.west-midlands.police.uk/get-involved/data-protection/faqs/custody-images>

Please also see:

<https://www.app.college.police.uk/app-content/information-management/management-of-police-information/retention-review-and-disposal-of-police-information/#request-for-deletion>

As recommended as good practice by the Information Commissioner's Office a version of this response may be published on the West Midlands Police website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information and data on West Midlands Police see our publication scheme and disclosure log

<http://foi.west-midlands.police.uk/>

RIGHT OF APPEAL

Your attention is drawn to your right to request a re-examination of your case under West Midlands Police review procedure, which can be found at:

<http://foi.west-midlands.police.uk/reviews-and-appeals/>

Please note that such an appeal must be received within 20 working days of the date of this correspondence. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the discretion of the FOI Unit.

If you require any further information, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Freedom of Information Unit

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