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OIA Request 01-19-16397

I refer to your request received 12 June 2019 in which you requested the following information:

For the 2018 year, I would like to know;

- 1. The number of police staff involved in a traffic incident (for the purpose of this, I don't mean traffic stops, I mean the Police staff was driving a vehicle and had some incident with another vehicle or property that was reported).
- 2. The number of those that were sworn staff
- 3. The number of reports that were made by a member of the public
- 4. The number of reports that were made internally
- 5. The number of reports that involved a collision with a vehicle
- 6. The number of reports that involved an injury
- 7. The number of reports that involved a close call with a vehicle
- 8. For each of the reports from 5, 6 and 7, a brief description of what happened, whether the staff was sworn or not and what the outcome was for the staff member involved if any.

The total number of traffic incidents reported by police staff, i.e. police staff driving a vehicle and had an incident with another vehicle or property, in 2018 was 1,480.

Please note that all vehicle incidents are reported directly to our Accident Management Provider and there is no differentiation between an incident which involves a sworn member of staff and a non-sworn member of staff. Therefore, your request for the number of incidents that involved sworn staff members is declined under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982 as it would require significant research of each individual incident to generate this information.

The information you have requested for questions 3, 4 and 7 is not recorded by NZ Police. Accordingly, your request for this information is declined under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act 1982 as it does not hold the information requested.

The number of reports that involved a collision with another vehicle is 701.

The number of reports that resulted in an injury to a police staff member is 31.

In relation to question 8, we appreciate your clarification of what was required and are happy to include the attached spreadsheet which provides a brief description on what happened and what the injury was for our staff (if any) for these incidents. Please note that when looking at the incident description, "Client" refers to New Zealand Police and "TP" refers to the other party involved in the incident.

NZ Police are separated into 12 Districts and any enforcement action is carried out at the local district level, with the files relating to that enforcement action held locally. Therefore, because the files are held in multiple locations and the fact that we would have to review each individual file, creating significant research on our part, your request for information on any enforcement action relating to these incidents is declined under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely

Rob Morgan

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