West Midlands Police Freedom of Information

I am after information relating to your police force and Operation SNAP. In particular, are you able to provide me with:

1) Is your police force a part of Operation SNAP, or does it have a similar, bespoke system in place through which members of the public can upload video footage from dash cams of traffic offences, which officers can then review and determine whether to directly issue a Fixed Penalty Notice/Driver Awareness Course (or similar)/Court Prosecution or warning?

We don't specifically refer to it as Operation Snap but we do have a reporting facility for driving standards offences in place.

- 2) If your police force is a part of Operation SNAP, or has a similar system in place as described in Question 1), could you please provide the following:
- · Number of video footages sent to you
- · Number of fixed penalty notices (FPNs) issued from evidence submitted via Operation SNAP or a similar system
- · Number of court prosecutions issued from evidence submitted via Operation SNAP or a similar system
- · Number of Driver Awareness Courses (or any other driver improvement course) issued from evidence submitted via Operation SNAP or a similar system

Please note: We don't have a bespoke system for managing these cases, they are dealt with through Pentip as fixed penalty offences and not readily identifiable as allegations of driving standards cases. The data is identified through a search of notices issued and a review of incoming reports. As such the data is not 100% accurate.

The figures below show the number of submissions received against the number processed, the rest would have been early NFA not suitable for action.

	2018	2019	2020
Received	1158	3242	1534
Processed	501	1465	369
Education	122	542	70
FPN	128	247	42
Prosecution	74	221	40
Cancelled	177	446	56
Not completed	0	9	161

Could you please provide answers to Question 2) for the following calendar years:

2017

2018

2019

**2020** – up to the latest month available.

If your force has not been a part of Operation SNAP, or not had its own equivalent system as described in Question 1), since **2017**, please provide figures from the year the programme started.

If your database works under a Fiscal Year calendar, please provide figures to the corresponding fiscal years