

**Please can you tell me how many drone flights have been made in support of West Midlands Police activities in the past three years up to the most recent date.**

**This should specify which types of activities the drones were deployed for, eg crowd control, gang activity.**

Overt drone flights up until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Flight Reason	No. of Flights
(blank)	1
Aerial Photography	1
Annual Assessment	3
Area Search	63
Arrest Attempt	42
Assessment	28
Assist Council	1
Burglary	26
Canal Search	1
Concern for Safety	4
Containment	1
Covid Breach	3
Crime	14
Crime Scene	29
Crime Scene Survey	2
Decamp	25
Demonstration	2
Disorder	1
Event	12
Familiarisation Flight	3
Fatal RTC	1
Festival	19
Firearms Incident	1
Firearms Search	4
Flight Assessment	7
Flyover	1
Football Fixture	55
Incident	6
Misper Search	215
Off Road Bikes	12
Offender Search	131
Operation	163
Patrol	6
Person Search	4
Personal Drone	68

Photography	4
Property Search	1
Protest	4
Public Engagement	6
Public Event Planning	10
Public Order	12
Pursuit	6
Recce	24
Restricted	1
Roof Search	2
Scene Photography	5
Site Check	4
Site Pictures	3
Stolen Bike Search	2
Stolen Vehicle Search	1
Suspect Search	53
Tasking	6
Test Flight	32
Thermal Flyover	236
Traffic	4
Traffic Pursuit	1
Training	448
Training Exercise	3
Victim Search	1
Warrant	10
Warrant Recce	12
Grand Total	1,846

**Please could you also state where the drones are operated from.**

The Drones are based at Tipton, Coventry Central and Bournville.