West Midlands Police Freedom of Information

1. The percentage of police resources allocated to speed enforcement in the past three years.

West Midlands Police and the Central Motorway police Group deploy 24-hour proactive roads policing resources. A fundamental part of their duties is to make the roads safer and, as speeding has been identified as one of the 'fatal four' road traffic offences, speed enforcement is part of their daily duties. As such, 100% of roads policing resources are allocated to speed enforcement. In addition to this, all police forces also deploy camera safety vans to identified high risk locations. These are managed by Safer Roads Partnerships.

2. The percentage of police resources allocated to addressing issues related to mobile phone use and "middle lane hogging" in the past three years.

There is no specific offence of 'middle lane hogging' and any such offences would be dealt with as Careless and Inconsiderate Driving. As per point 1 above, all roads policing resources deal with mobile phone offences and any instances of careless or inconsiderate driving as part of their daily duties.

In relation to points 1 and 2, we also support national campaigns relating specifically to these offences. At the time of writing we are midway through a two-week nationwide campaign focusing on speed enforcement.

3. The number of accidents directly attributed to excessive speed in the past three years.

## 1503 records where speeding was a contributory factor

4. The number of accidents directly attributed to mobile phone use and "middle lane hogging" in the past three years.

Mobile phone: 147

Middle lane hogging: not recorded

Please Note: Q3 & Q4

A list of possible causes for the accident (against each vehicle) is listed with a probability that this is the cause of the accident. Each is recorded as either 'possible' or 'very likely'

Excessive speed and using a mobile phone are listed as reasons. Middle lane hogging is not recorded.

5. Any internal reports, studies, or assessments conducted the police regarding the allocation of resources for speed enforcement and its effectiveness in reducing accidents.

There are no specific reports from West Midlands Police.

6. Funding concerns. Has the police requested any assistance or further funding to protect the public?

Our data supplier is not aware of any above usual funding.