



**Date: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

**Our Reference: FOIA-2020-067**

**RE: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“FOIA 2000”)**

I am writing regarding your email dated 4<sup>th</sup> June 2020 in which you sought information regarding the joint College of Policing and National Police Chiefs’ Council document ‘What constitutes a reasonable excuse to leave the place where you live’ as below:

1. When was the document published (as it does not appear to carry a date),
2. (a) Whether the document was communicated to all police forces in England, and  
(b) if so, on what date(s) and at what time(s)?

I believe you have already received all of the above information except for question 2 (b) therefore we have only included the outstanding information in this response. Our response to your freedom of information request is detailed below.

**Decision**

When a request for information is made under FOIA 2000, a public authority has a general duty under section 1(1) of the Act to inform an applicant whether the requested information is held. There is then a general obligation to communicate that information to the applicant. If a public authority decides that the information should not be disclosed because an exemption applies, it must, under section 17(1) cite the appropriate section or exemption of the Act and provide an explanation for relying upon it.

In line with section 1(1) of FOIA 2000, I can confirm that we **do hold** the information you have requested and that information is to be provided to you. Please see below for responses to your questions.

The document ‘What constitutes a reasonable excuse to leave the place where you live’ was communicated to police forces at 22:53 on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2020 by the National Police Chiefs’ Council.

I believe you may have previously been informed that this communication was sent on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2020 however I have received confirmation that this date was given in error and the above date and time is correct.

Your rights are provided at the end of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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## **Your right of review**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have a right to request an internal review if you are dissatisfied with our handling of your request. Review requests should be made in writing (by email or post) within **40 working days** from the date of our original response. We will aim to respond to your review request within **20 working days**.

### **The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)**

If, after lodging a review request you are still dissatisfied, you may raise the matter with the ICO. For further information you can visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/>. Alternatively you can contact them by phone or write to them at the following address:

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