

NCC-050462-21 ACCIDENT DATA ETC

Dear Requester,

Further to your request for information under The Freedom of Information Act, please see below.

a) the full/proper name for the system (database or the like) used by the Accident Investigation Unit (AIU) at Nottinghamshire County Council to log/maintain/interrogate for details of road traffic accidents (RTAs)/incidents occurring on roads located in the County of Nottinghamshire,

Via East Midlands Ltd undertake this role for Nottinghamshire County Council using "Key Accident" from Key Soft Solutions (currently using version 7.6.0)

b) confirmation of ownership of the system referred to at a) above, e.g. Home Office and/or whichever other organisation(s),

The Key Accident system is licensed to Via East Midlands Ltd working in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council who own the data

c) the basis on which Nottinghamshire County Council AIU inputs, e.g. for and on behalf of the local highway authority, Nottinghamshire Police and/or whichever other organisation(s),

Via East Midlands Ltd is the processing agent for the Department of Transport's STATS19 data for the whole of Nottinghamshire Police's area which includes three Highway Authorities: Highways England, Nottinghamshire County Council, and Nottingham City Council

d) whether the system at a) is used by any other organisations, Statutory or otherwise - e.g. local authorities, Highways England, Police authorities - and, if so, the names of those organisations contributing and utilising data (I take it from the first extract from the 6/5/21 Nottinghamshire Police letter set out above that Police authorities do supply data for input, but please correct this understanding if incorrect),

The Key Accident software is widely used by Highway Authorities and their partners throughout the UK. Another popular system is Accs Map from Buchanan Computing. We do not hold records of what other parties use

e) the protocols/process map(s) requirements for the addition of data to the system, thinking in terms of -

- i) from where the AIU obtains information to add to the system referred to at a),
- ii) the incidents/accidents which are required to be entered onto the system referred to at a), i.e. the criteria for inclusion,
- iii) what information sets are required per incident/accident at e) ii) (e.g. date, time, location, vehicle(s) involved, injuries or fatalities arising etc), and
- iv) the timeframe in which the required information at e) i) - iii) inc should be loaded into the system (e.g. immediately following an incident/accident, within 24 hours, two days, 14 days or whatever),

- i) As processing agent for Nottinghamshire Police, Via East Midlands Ltd receives raw data from the police in the form of report cards completed by Police Officers either at the scene of an accident or in a police station. These reports are sent to Via on a weekly basis via encrypted email.
- ii) The DfT's STATS20 documentation answers this in detail [STATS 20 - Instructions for the Completion of Road Accident Reports from non-CRASH Sources \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/91144/stats20_instructions_for_the_completion_of_road_accident_reports_from_non-crash_sources.pdf)
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- iv) As of 11th May 2021, the most recent provisionally complete month with validated data is January 2021. The lag between validated months of data and the present date varies according to reporting levels, resources, and system issues. Our live data is generally

around 3 months behind in real-time. This doesn't mean that more recent records have not already been validated and inputted, just that January is the last complete month at present.

f) the retention/destruction protocol associated with the system referred to at a), eg that records should be kept for 2 years from the date of each incident, or date logged on the system, or for 5 years, 10 years or whatever, after which records may be destroyed),

Data is kept indefinitely. The live database currently covers 1/1/1990 to 31/1/2021.

g) the information held on the system referred to at a) for each incident/accident occurring in each of the calendar years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 (and with my prior understanding that any personal information will need to be redacted/withheld) -

i) in the town of Southwell, Nottinghamshire (which should be taken to mean within a two mile radius of Southwell Minster, but including also any incident/accident beyond that radius and logged including a reference to Southwell), and

ii) in the village of Upton (being the village approximately two and half miles east of Southwell), (Please note that I'd appreciate you providing the statistics relating to this element of request, ie g) i) and ii) above, coupled, if possible, with a reference/link to any relevant public 'dataset' or 'interactive map', or the like, from which you have calculated the figures, and such that I might then myself understand/utilise the methodology in the future),

Please see attached reports with self-explanatory titles, the records within each are sorted in order of date. Information has not been redacted since personal information is not held.

Data can be visualised on many free online platforms eg www.crashmap.co.uk or www.collissionmap.uk

h) the date on which 'Core Casualty Site' (or 'Casualty Reduction Site' or the like) status was attributed to Upton and the stretch of former A612 (since March 2019 re-classified C unnumbered, as confirmed by Via East Midlands as Agent for Nottinghamshire County Council, the relevant local highway authority) which bisects the village,

We use the terms "Core Casualty Site" to describe the sites regularly visited by Nottinghamshire Police's mobile safety camera enforcement team: [Mobile speed cameras in Nottinghamshire | Nottinghamshire Police](#)

Main Street, Upton, became active as one of these sites on 1/9/2012

i) a copy of the formal submission, including recommendation(s), which was approved as a prelude to h) above,

It is understood that this site was added to the list by agreement within the Nottinghamshire Safety Camera Partnership. There is no formal process for this, hence no formal submission is available.

j) the date or dates on which the continuing applicability of 'Core Casualty Site' (or 'Casualty Reduction Site' or the like) status from h) was/were formally reviewed, and

Once a site has been selected as a Core Casualty Site, it would be extremely rare to remove it from the list. This would only be done after a significant change in circumstances (eg when road closed or bypassed) or when fixed site safety cameras have been deployed. Occasionally, new sites are added, subject to resources and funding.

k) a copy of the formal submission(s), including recommendation(s), which was/were approved to maintain the 'Core Casualty Site', 'Casualty Reduction Site' or the like status first applied at h) (for I understand this sort of status does still apply today).

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We trust this now resolves your enquiry. Where we have not been able to provide details we expect that this information is not held by Nottinghamshire County Council at this time.

We suggest all requesters search under our publication scheme in advance of requesting information under the freedom of information act.

Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR, s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link) <http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

You can use the search facility using keywords. i.e. care / home etc.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or email complaints@nottscc.gov.uk .

Kind Regards

Complaints and Information Team

Nottinghamshire County Council

Dear Notts CC FOI Team

This is a request for information under the provisions of the FOI Act.

I make it based on the following two pieces of advice extracted from a Nottinghamshire Police letter to me dated 6/5/21 (Ref 002719/21) - each being part of a response to an FOI request I made to that authority:

"[In relation to questions about the name of the system (database or the like) used...to log/maintain/interrogate for details of road traffic accidents...].....If your request is referring to analysis of road traffic collision for the purposes of submitting the STATS-19 collision data to the Home Office then I must advise you that we do not hold this data. The STATS-19 data is submitted on our behalf by the Accident Investigation Unit at Nottinghamshire County Council. If you wish to seek information on what particular system they utilise to record this data you will need to make a request to that Authority directly...."[end of first extract].

Thus, I now ask NCC for the information per a) - g) ii) inc below, and

"[In relation to Upton Core Casualty Site (or the like) status]....Information not held. This information would be held by the Council. You can redirect your request to Nottinghamshire County Council [followed by contact details]" [end of second extract]. **Thus, I now ask NCC for the information per h) - k) inc below.**

I should therefore be grateful to receive your response within 20 working days following receipt of this e mail ie following receipt today, Monday 10/5/21, and allowing for the Bank Holiday on 31/5/21, by Tuesday 8/6/21, latest. I am happy to receive the requested information in electronic format ie as a response to this e mail.

So long as the Council and/or its Agent(s) operate and maintain good record systems, I should not expect the effort needed to search for and collate the requested information to exceed the 'standard' two and a half days/£450 'limit'.

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Thank you in anticipation and regards....