



**Freedom of Information request 01/FOI/22/1381**

**1) The number of police officers that have been investigated for their conduct in text messages, on WhatsApp and/or other social media sites in the calendar years of 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and available information for 2022.**

**2) For each recorded case can you provide details of the incidents that led to formal and informal sanctions, and the outcome of that action please.**

**RESPONSE**

Question 1

Year	Allegations Recorded	Finalised	Case to Answer	No Case to Answer
2017	3	3	3	0
2018	2	2	1	1
2019	0	0	N/A	N/A
2020	1	1	1	0
2021	4	3	0	3
2022 (to 5 <sup>th</sup> August)	3	0	N/A	N/A

Question 2 – “Write Off Method” in Case to Answer Cases

Year	Case to Answer	Retired / Resigned	Not Recorded
2017	3	0	3
2018	1	1	0
2019	N/A	N/A	N/A
2020	1	1	0
2021	0	N/A	N/A
2022 (to 5 <sup>th</sup> August)	N/A	N/A	N/A

Question 2 – Summary of Circumstances in Case to Answer Cases

Year	Summary
2017	Alleged to have sent an inappropriate video clip to two colleagues via WhatsApp
2017	Alleged to have inappropriately pressurised a colleague via WhatsApp in relation to misconduct concerns
2017	Alleged to have obtained a video of a superior officer on holiday and shared it amongst colleagues
2018	Alleged to have communicated with a vulnerable person in an unprofessional and inappropriate way

2020	Alleged to have made racially offensive comments during numerous conversations in person, by text and on social media
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