

FOI Request - 20180004

Request

The number of people fined on the M1 'smart motorway' between junction 32 and 35A since it was fully introduced in March 2017.

The number of people fined on the M1 'smart motorway' between junction 32 and 35A when a temporary speed limit wasn't in place since it was fully introduced in March 2017.

The amount of money paid in fines by drivers speeding on the M1 'smart motorway' between junction 32 and 35A since it was fully introduced in March 2017.

The amount of money paid in fines by drivers speeding on the M1 'smart motorway' when a temporary speed limit wasn't in place since it was fully introduced in March 2017.

Response

When Police Officers stop drivers on the motorways, and record offences they do not always record the location in a way that is detailed enough. For example, there are a number that just record the M1 as the location, or M1 Northbound.

This means the figures being provided may not be fully accurate, but the figures have been produced using the data we have available to us.

From 1st March to date, there have been 59 tickets issued by Police Officers.

The fixed penalty fee for these tickets is £100.00, and drivers have their licences endorsed with 3 x penalty points.

The fixed penalty fee is paid direct to HM Courts and Tribunal Services (HMCTS).

Please note that South Yorkshire Police do not receive any revenue from the fixed penalty fees paid to HMCTS. The police only receive costs to enforce the speed limit.

During the same period, 18322 offences were processed from the smart motorway cameras.

Out of these 18322 offences, they are broken down as follows:-

Cancelled

854

Court Process

1375

Course

7092

Prosecuted
506
Warning Letter
2304
Still in process
1118
Paid / Licence
Endorsed
5074
TOTAL
18323

Offences that are heard at Court, can also have a Fixed Penalty fee ordered. Again these are paid directly to HMCTS.

Some offences within certain thresholds (if drivers are eligible), are offered a National Motorway Awareness Course. If such an offer is accepted, individuals are required to pay a course fee to the relevant course provider.