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## Section 17 Notice under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

### WITHHOLDING INFORMATION

#### **Section 40(2) – Personal Data Relating To Third Parties**

The information you have requested contains personal data. The sensitive personal data consists of personal data relating to the commission, or alleged commission, of an offence. Personal data can only be released if to do so would not contravene any of the data protection principles set out by Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

*Personal data shall be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner*

We believe releasing the requested information into the public domain would be unfair and cause damage and distress to the individuals in this case; all individuals involved in criminal prosecutions and non-senior employees of the CPS have a clear and strong expectation that their personal data will be held in confidence and not disclosed to the public under the FOI Act. This is especially true of sensitive personal data as it comprises information that individuals will regard as the most private.

