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Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

Information regarding the charges and convictions for the offence Gross Negligence Manslaughter

Request

1. *Please provide the number of charges and convictions brought for the offence of Gross Negligence Manslaughter for work related health and safety related accidents between 1st November 2017 – 30th September 2018.*
 - *Please provide the answers for the relevant charges and convictions in a spreadsheet with the columns including [charge] [issue date of charge] [conviction] [date of conviction], alongside total number of charges and total number of convictions.*
2. *Please provide the number of charges and convictions brought for the offence of Gross Negligence Manslaughter for work related health and safety related accidents between 1st November 2018 to 30th September 2019.*
 - *Please provide the answers for the relevant charges and convictions in a spreadsheet with the columns including [charge] [issue date of charge] [conviction] [date of conviction], alongside total number of charges and total number of convictions.*
3. *Please provide the details of the length of custodial sentences (including suspended sentences) and details of fines imposed on individuals for those convicted of Gross Negligence Manslaughter for work related health and safety offences 1st November 2018 – 30th September 2019.*
 - *For the relevant custodial sentences, please provide information on reason for each custodial sentence and length, and details of the fine issued.*

In relation to the original response on 8th October 2019 (where we were directed to following web page: <https://www.cps.gov.uk/publication/freedom-information-releases-2019>), we note that you have set out that charges for Gross Negligence Manslaughter (GNM) and H&S have been issued against individuals and companies. However we require detail of convictions for GNM only and the levels of sentences and fines for those convictions.



We also note that some entries are misleading; for example, Cheshire Gates and Automation was charged with GNM but convicted of corporate manslaughter (with no individual charges). Lion Steel and Cotswolds Geotechnical were both convicted of corporate manslaughter with no individual offences against individual directors, hence our request for clarification on these and others which may require checking.

Response

The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) holds data regarding charges brought during the specified timescales in points one and two, in respect of the offences described. This data is shown in the table attached, and should be read in conjunction with the caveats appended to it. In accordance with the data held, no further information is held in relation to question three.

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