

**Please ask for:** Alethea Fuller  
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**Our Reference:** 2020-00255  
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Date: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Dear Mr Swift,

Thank you for your further freedom of information request received in this office on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022 in which you asked:

**Thank you for the disclosure. Please could you provide the supportive evidence for the statements:**

1. **'48,400 vehicles recorded as stolen in 2021' – figures appear to vary widely – see below.**
2. **'The introduction of keyless technology has also led to the dramatic increase' & use of 'technology to get around the onboard electronic security systems, such as copying digital keys or using devices to stop a car from locking' – as you appear not to record the theft methodology, how has this statement justified?**

In response to your request, I can confirm as follows:

1. Please see the attachment titled "**FOI – 026-22 – Attachment 1 Transport Secretary Grant Shapps**" detailing the DVLA statistics.
2. This view is information West Midlands Police may hold and has advised the Police and Crime Commissioner on. In order to be of assistance, please see the following contact details should you wish to submit this question to West Midlands Police:

**Freedom of Information Unit**

West Midlands Police  
PO Box 52, Lloyd House  
Colmore Circus Queensway  
Birmingham  
B4 6NQ  
E-mail: [foi@west-midlands.police.uk](mailto:foi@west-midlands.police.uk)

**Freedom of Information Right of Appeal**

Any person who has requested information from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and is unhappy with the way their request for information has been handled can request a review of their case.

A request for review must be made in writing by letter or email. You should include the reference number of your request if you have it, and outline why you are requesting the review to:

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner  
Lloyd House  
Birmingham  
B4 6NQ

Telephone: 0121 626 6060  
Email: [wmpcc@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:wmpcc@westmidlands.police.uk)

All requests for review will be recorded. Receipt of a request for internal review will be acknowledged and the appellant informed of an estimated date for determining the outcome. The OPCC will attempt to respond to internal reviews as soon as practicable and in any case within two months.

All investigations will be undertaken by someone not involved in the original response.

The result of any internal review will be communicated to the appellant outlining the decisions taken.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45  
Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

There is no charge for making a request for internal review or appeal to the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Fuller', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Alethea Fuller  
Deputy Chief Executive