Freedom of Information Request - Environmental Offences

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Request and Response:

Concerning serious environmental offences such as illegal fly-tipping, the naming and shaming of individuals could be justified so as to increase its visibility and maximise its deterrent effect in the regulation of illegal dumping and unauthorised waste activity.

Under the Freedom of Information Act can you, please provide me with the following information:

* Can you confirm if you publish on your website the names of individuals who are prosecuted or fined for environmental offences (littering, fly-tipping, illegal dumping or unauthorised waste activity?

We do not publish the names of offenders on our website.

* Please reference the specific parts of the applicable legislation that give you the powers to publish individuals' names in the public domain

We do not publish the names of offenders in the public domain. However, in respect of individuals who have been prosecuted in the criminal courts, their name and offence details will be a matter of public record.

* Can you confirm if you share with other organisations the names of individuals who are prosecuted for environmental offences (littering, fly-tipping, illegal dumping or unauthorised waste activity?

We may, on occasion, share information with other enforcing authorities.

* Please reference the specific parts of the applicable legislation that give you the power to share these individuals' names.

We will collect personal data for the purposes of law enforcement and will share it in accordance with our Environmental Protection Privacy Notice.