REQUEST

Details of the Police Appeal Tribunals for the following years:

2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

- The name of the officer
- The rank of the officer
- Reason for dismissal
- Name of Police Appeal Judge Presiding
- Name of Police Chair
- Lawyer representing the officer and his chamber
- Federation Representing the officer
- Outcome of PAT did the officer get reinstated or not
- Was the officers statement read out
- How many years you keep these records and is it in line with your record keeping policy that can be shared with the public?

RESPONSE

The Police Appeals Tribunals (Amendment) Rules 2015 amended the Police Appeals Tribunals Rules 2012 to make provision for appeals in relation to disciplinary matters to be held in public - (be it subject to the discretion of the chair to exclude persons from all or part of the hearing).

Part of your request has been exempted under Section 40 of the Freedom of information Act 2000. In relation to the names of police officers before the change to regulation in 2015, we believe that disclosure of the names of police officers before the regulations changed, would be a breach of S.40 as stated above and this is an absolute exemption – which means that it is not subject to the public interest test. To disclose the names could be deemed unfair and unlawful.

The names of the police appeal tribunal chair, lawyer and federation representing the officer (where held) have also been exempted under Section 40 of the Freedom of information Act 2000. There is no police chair in police appeal tribunal proceedings.

Records are held for 7 years after last action.

We do not hold any documentary evidence on whether the officer's statement was read out.

Information we are permitted to disclose can be found in the table attached. Further information on public police appeal tribunals can be found in the link below:

https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac/about-mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac-1

If you are unhappy with the response to your Freedom of Information request, please see the MOPAC website on what the next steps are at:

http://www.london.gov.uk/priorities/policing-crime/how-we-work/freedom-of-information