

FOI REF:	16051
RESPONSE SENT:	08/09/2025

Request

Dear Sir,

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000: The total number of Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) issued by your council in each of the following calendar years: 2022 2023 2024 If available, please also provide the number of PCNs issued specifically for parking on double yellow lines in each of those years.

If the requested information is already publicly available, I would appreciate it if you could direct me to the relevant source.

Response

The table below includes the total PCNs issued during each requested calendar year.

As to your request for the number of PCNs issued for parking on double yellow lines. PCNs issued for contraventions of on-street waiting restrictions “yellow lines” are issued under a single national code, 01 Parking in a Restricted Street during prescribed hours. This contravention code applies for contraventions on both single and double yellow lines. When issuing a PCN the type of line is not recorded in a searchable field so we are unable to distinguish whether the PCN related to a single or double yellow line without reviewing each individual case manually. As to this request it would be 2584 PCN cases. To provide you with the information requested would require an officer to search, open and review each case and any supporting images to establish whether the contravention related to double yellow lines. Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit which for local authorities is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours in determination. For this reason that part of your request is refused.

The total number of issues for all “yellow line” contraventions is supplied.

Note – The zero return for calendar year 2024 is due to all on-street enforcement in the Winchester district being undertaken by Hampshire County Council, as from 01/10/23.

Calendar Year	01 Contravention - Parked in a restricted street during prescribed hours	Total PCNs issued
2022	1451	14649
2023	1133	17151
2024	0	17413

