



SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUEST NUMBER: FOI Request 000184-17

REQUEST DETAILS:

"Can you please provide me under the FOI Act a breakdown of all arrests made by your force for counterfeit money crimes in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

This may include arrests for producing counterfeit money and handling/using/trying to use counterfeit money.

If possible, please break down the offences by month, year, the currency of the fake money (pounds, euros, dollars) and circumstances relating to the arrest (e.g used fake £20s in petrol station)"

RESPONSE:

Suffolk Constabulary has considered your request for information and our response is below.

This response is correct as of 10 January 2017

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all arrests made in relation to counterfeit money offences.

The information is provided in the table below, please note that the data has been provided in two tables as a result of a change in crime recording system in October 2015.

Offence Description	Location	Value	2014	2015	Total
Make Counterfeit Note/Coin	Residential	£20	1		1
Pass Counterfeit Note/Coin As Genuine	Bus	£10	1		1
	Night Club	£20	2		2
	Private sale	£20	1		1
	Shop	£20		1	1
Possess Counterfeit Note/Coin	Residential	£20	1		1
Grand Total			6	1	7

Offence Description	Location	Value	2015	2016	Total
Pass etc counterfeit coin or note as genuine	Garage	GBP50	1		1
	Post Office	EUR1500		1	1
	Private Sale	GBP20	1		1



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	Shop	GBP20	6	2	8
		GBP50		1	1
Possess counterfeit coin or note	Residential	GBP20		1	1
Grand Total			8	5	13

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide crime statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the crime data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Please be aware that the information provided/researched from the 19 October 2015 has been extracted from the Athena crime system. The information provided is subject to change as processes are amended to ensure accurate and precise crime recording.