



SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUEST NUMBER: FOI Request 001409-17

REQUEST DETAILS:

"Please could you tell me how many people have been arrested for impersonating a police officer in the last two financial years.

Could you also tell me how many people have been arrested for impersonating a police officer while wearing a 'Polite' reflective fluorescent jacket.

Could you provide these figures separately for 1 April 2015 to 31st March 2016 as well as 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015".

RESPONSE:

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

This response is correct as of 27 January 2017

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all offences recorded of 'impersonate a police or special constable' for the last 2 financial years.

The total number of offences recorded, and subsequent number of arrests, is provided in the table below, by financial year.

None of the offences located contained any reference to wearing florescent clothing.

Fiscal	Number of offences	Number of arrests
2014/15	1	0
2015/16	5	4

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



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information provided is subject to change as processes are amended to ensure accurate and precise crime recording.