



Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 001654-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 7 May 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *"How many reports of hate crime did your constabulary receive between the 29th of March, 2016 through to the 28th of March, 2017?*
2. *How many of these ended with an arrest (or multiple arrests)?*
3. *How many of these led to a successful prosecution?*
4. *How many reports for hate crime did your constabulary make between the 29th of March, 2017 through to the 28th of March, 2018?*
5. *How many of these ended with an arrest (or multiple arrests)?"*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 14 May 2018

Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies have considered your request for information and our response is below.

A search has been completed of the constabularies' crime system for all hate incidents reported for the respective time frames requested.

The Constabularies crime data does not reliably provide arrest statistics, therefore we have provided data relating to all recorded crime including the respective outcomes. This data does therefore not reflect the number of arrests made, rather the number of crimes recorded.

The Constabularies do not hold prosecution data, this should be requested directly from the courts.

The tables provided below confirm the total number of crimes recorded with a hate crime marker, by Constabulary and time frame.

Outcomes	Suffolk Constabulary		Norfolk Constabulary	
	29/03/16 – 28/03/17	29/03/17 – 28/03/18	29/03/2016 - 28/03/2017	29/03/2017 - 28/03/2018
Type 1	90	93	167	137
Type 1A	9	13	11	8
Type 2	9	5	1	2
Type 2A	0	1	0	1
Type 3	10	13	12	16
Type 3A	3	1	2	2
Type 4	0	0	0	1
Type 5	0	0	1	2
Type 6	1	2	2	2
Type 8	42	45	42	38
Type 9	1	3	0	2
Type 10	5	18	22	20
Type 11	6	3	8	11
Type 12	16	16	54	42
Type 13	0	0	10	4
Type 14	36	51	52	77
Type 15	139	202	157	149
Type 16	165	264	207	304
Type 17	2	2	4	5
Type 18	225	286	242	257
Type 20	17	31	61	18
Type 21	20	14	9	5
Not Recorded	1	78	11	128
Grand Total	797	1141	1075	1231

Outcomes

- Type 1 – Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
- Type 1A – Charged/Summons – alternate offence. Offender has been charged under the alternate offence rule.
- Type 2 – Caution Youth
- Type 2A – Caution Youth – alternate offence. Offender is a juvenile and has been given a youth caution under the alternate offences rule.
- Type 3 – Caution Adult
- Type 3A – Caution Adult – alternate offence. Offender has been given a simple caution under the alternate offences rule.
- Type 4 – TIC – Taken into Consideration

- Type 5 – Offender has died
- Type 6 – Penalty notice for disorder
- Type 8 – Community resolution (Crime)
- Type 9 – Prosecution Not In the Public Interest (CPS)
- Type 10 – Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)
- Type 11 – Prosecution Prevented-Named Suspect Identified But Is Below The Age Of Criminal Responsibility
- Type 12 – Prosecution Prevented-Named Suspect Identified But Is Too Ill (Physical Or Mental Health) To Prosecute
- Type 13 – Prosecution Prevented-Named Suspect Identified But Victim Or Key Witness Is Dead Or Too Ill To Give Evidence
- Type 14 – Evidential Difficulties Victim Based- Suspect Not Identified: Crime Confirmed But The Victim Either Declines Or Unable To Support Further Police Investigation To Identify The Offender
- Type 15 – Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
- Type 16 – Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action
- Type 17 – Prosecution Time Limit Expired: Suspect Identified But Prosecution Time Limit Has Expired
- Type 18 – Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
- Type 20 – Further action resulting from the crime report will be undertaken by another body or agency subject to the victim (or person acting on their behalf) being made aware of the act to be taken
- Type 21 – Further investigation resulting from crime report which could provide evidence sufficient to support formal action against the suspect is not in the public interest – police decision.

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.

Should you have any further queries concerning this request, please contact Clair Pack, FOI Decision Maker, quoting the reference number shown above.

A full copy of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) can be viewed on the 'Office of Public Sector Information' web-site;

<http://www.opsi.gov.uk/>

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Your Right to Request a Review of Decisions Made Under the Terms of the
Freedom of Information Act (2000).

If you are unhappy with how your request has been handled, or if you think the decision is incorrect, you have the right to ask the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary to review their decision.

Ask Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies to look at the decision again.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding access to information, you must notify the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary that you are requesting a review within 20 days of the date of its response to your Freedom of Information request. Requests for a review should be made in writing and addressed to:

*Freedom of Information Decision Maker
Information Management Department
Suffolk Constabulary
Police Headquarters
Martlesham Heath
Ipswich
Suffolk
IP5 3QS
OR
Email: information@suffolk.pnn.police.uk*

In all possible circumstances Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary will aim to respond to your request for us to look at our decision again within 20 working days of receipt of your request for an internal review.

The Information Commissioner.

After lodging a request for a review with Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary, if you are still dissatisfied with the decision, you can apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at www.ico.org.uk or contact them at the address shown below:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
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