



Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 002087-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 14 June 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *"In relation to the 15th September 2017 to the 14th October 2017 please state how many crimes were logged by your force where university was recorded as being mentioned in the offence? [Note: I would hope that this could be achieved by a computer search on the MO of crimes for the words "university".*
2. *Please provide me with a table showing a breakdown of the crimes from Q.1 that are 'linked' to "university" by its mention in the MO?*
3. *Taking the month of October 2017 please provide me with copies of the first 7 MOs that mention university. [Note: To avoid falling into an exemption I am content for names, ages, geography or any other personal detail to be redacted]."*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 20 June 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 offences recorded that contain the word 'university' within the crime MO freetext for the time frame 15 September – 14 October 2017 inclusive.

Please note that conducting a freetext search of the MO will not necessarily locate all offences that occurred at a university premise. The search relies solely on this word being within the text and spelt accurately.

1. The search located a total of 10 offences as follows:

Force	Total crime with 'university' in MO
Norfolk	7
Suffolk	3

2. All of the above offences occurred in the vicinity of a university or university hospital. The crimes are as follows:

Force	Total crime with 'university' in MO	Total
Norfolk	Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle	3
	Affray	1
	Pass etc counterfeit coin or note as genuine	1
	Theft if not classified elsewhere	2
Suffolk	Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle	1
	Non crime Investigation - Action fraud	1
	Rape	1

3. The MO for all offences that occurred during 1 – 14 October are as follows:

Force	MO Text
Norfolk	In a university bar location suspect has stolen the victims bag
	Retail outlets on the University campus have had instances where people have tried to pay for items with fake £20 notes.
	From a university common room toilet suspect has stolen victims mobile phone
	In a university bar location unknown suspect has stolen the victims bag
Suffolk	Victim has been raped by male

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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