



29<sup>th</sup> January 2018

### **Freedom of Information Request Reference N<sup>o</sup>: FOI 000037/18**

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

Please could you tell me how many reports of Hare Coursing you have received in the last four years? (01.01.2013- 31.12.2017)

May I have the information broken down by date, location, the nature of the incident and the outcome of the incident (eg arrest, charge)?

Please could you also tell me for the same period how much was spend of combating Hare Coursing in Norfolk and Suffolk.

### **Response to your Request**

When responding to a request for information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, a public authority is not obliged to provide information if the authority estimates that the cost of the retrieval of the information requested would be in excess of £450 (equivalent to 18 hours work).

The costs criteria relates to a request in its entirety, which means that if we cannot retrieve all of the information requested within the costs limit, we are not obliged to retrieve *any* of the information requested.

The Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies estimates that to retrieve all the information you have requested for both forces would exceed cost in excess of £450 (per force).

In order to establish what relevant information is held we have contacted our Joint Performance and Analysis Department. They have undertaken research of recorded incidents which contain the phrase 'hare coursing'. Since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 to end December 2017, this has returned 1,399 for Norfolk and 1,127 for Suffolk. I have broken these down by year in the table below:-

YEAR	NORFOLK	SUFFOLK
2013	66	106
2014	168	87
2015	277	173
2016	319	249
2017	569	512
TOTAL	1399	1127

In order to establish whether these are reports of hare coursing, it would be necessary to manually read through each incident. Once the number of reports of hare coursing has been established, further research would be required to retrieve whether any arrests were made and the outcome.

Based on 5 minutes each, this would significantly exceed the appropriate cost limit for dealing with a Freedom of Information request, in terms of costs, and therefore Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act applies.

Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act states that a public authority is not obliged to:

*“...comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit”.*

The Freedom of Information (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004, defines the ‘appropriate limit’ for the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies as £450 for each Constabulary, and specifies that this sum equates to 18 hours work at a standard rate of £25 per hour.

In accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000), this serves as a Refusal Notice for your request.

#### Advice & Assistance

Although excess cost removes the Force’s obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

Since the introduction of the Athena crime system, in October 2015, hare coursing offences have been recorded. Research of this system has been completed and the following relevant information has been retrieved:-

#### NORFOLK

Year	Primary Offence	Outcome
2015	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 2 people on land without owners permission with dogs.	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2015	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Two vehicles, 7 males and 1 dog seen on private land.	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2015	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Report of males hare coursing using dogs	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2015	Hunting Act 2004 – Controlling or handling a dog at a hare coursing event A group of 4 males, along with 3 dogs believed to be hare coursing	Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Report of 5 men with dogs on private land, with the group releasing the dogs in pursuit of hares	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4/5 males and a dog in pursuit of game on a field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Males and dogs walking across private farmland believed to be searching for hares	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Controlling or handling a dog at a hare	Type 1 -

	<p>coursing event Males and dogs involved in hare coursing</p>	<p>Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition</p>
2017	<p>Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 men and dogs walking on field, trespassing</p>	<p>Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available</p>
2017	<p>Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 suspects seen on farmer's land, letting dogs off leads after hares.</p>	<p>Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition</p>
2017	<p>Hunting Act 2004 – Controlling or handling a dog at a hare coursing event Dead hares found in boot of vehicle</p>	<p>Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available</p>
2017	<p>Hunting Act 2004 – Controlling or handling a dog at a hare coursing event 2 males and 2 dogs actively hare coursing. Dead hare found.</p>	<p>Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)</p>
2017	<p>Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 males and 4 dogs trespassing on farm land. Dog seen pursuing a hare</p>	<p>Type 3 - Caution Adult</p>

## SUFFOLK

Year	Primary Offence	Outcome
2015	<p>Hunting Act 2004 – Controlling or handling a dog at a hare coursing event Two males and dogs seen on foot in field. Dog seen to chase and kill a hare.</p>	<p>Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available</p>
2015	<p>Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Three males and a dog seen in field. Hare carcass found in same area.</p>	<p>Type 9 - Prosecution Not In the Public Interest (CPS)</p>
2015	<p>Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Offenders seen on open farmland with dogs.</p>	<p>Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available</p>
2015	<p>Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 persons seen with dogs and vehicle on private farm land.</p>	<p>Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available</p>
2015	<p>Unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle (does not include 'driving or being carried knowing motor vehicle has been taken') Males and dogs fail in vehicle, fail to stop for police following hare coursing</p>	<p>Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action</p>

2015	Other criminal damage, other (£5,000 and over) 5 males and 2 dogs hare coursing. Vehicle got stuck in mud.	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2015	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Males and dog hare coursing. One male seen to have a hare in his hand.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2015	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Male and dog in a field. Dog seen to be let off lead and chasing a hare.	Type 3 - Caution Adult
2016	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Three males and 5 dogs seen to be hare coursing.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4 persons with dogs walking a line across a field and chasing hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Two males hare coursing. Dogs seen chasing a hare.	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Vehicle seen driving across farmland with dogs chasing hares.	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action
2016	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Males with dogs seen hare coursing	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Report of hare coursing with 2/3 persons and 2 dogs.	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
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Males loading dogs into a vehicle. Seen to throw a dead hare.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Two persons seen trespassing on fields. Dogs seen to be chasing hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further

		Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Offenders and dogs on a field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Vehicle seen trespassing on a field. A dog seen running alongside chasing a hare.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Report of hare coursing. 3 males & 3 dogs in vehicle.	Type 17 - Prosecution Time Limit Expired: Suspect Identified But Prosecution Time Limit Has Expired
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4/5 offenders with 4/5 dogs in pursuit of hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Offenders and two dogs in a private field, hare coursing	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
2016	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Two males and a dog chasing hares through a farmers field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Two men seen calling a dog which was chasing a hare on a farmer's field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Three males and dogs walking over a field.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 2 males setting dogs loose. Seen to chase and kill a hare.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Offenders used two dogs to pursue a hare whilst trespassing on private farm land.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case

		Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Two males and two dogs seen hare coursing	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 5 males and dogs detained on suspicion of hare coursing	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2016	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000) Males in vehicle damaged crop on farm land.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Two males seen in field about to let dogs loose to go hare coursing	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.
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 2/3 males seen with a dog on farm land chasing a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4 males seen on farm land accompanying a dog which was running after a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Offenders have used dogs to hunt hares on private farm land	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4 males with dogs on land without permission. Believed to be hare coursing	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Tracks in field and crop damage consistent with hare coursing	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4 x 4seen driving on farmer's field, one dog out on the field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further

		Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 2 dogs seen running across fields in pursuit of a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Males and dogs seen walking across fields suspected to be hare coursing	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Reports of hare coursing. 6 adults reported for offences	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Two males with one dog off the lead trespassed onto farmland	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 males and a dog seen on farm land. Dog has then chased a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2016	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Vehicle seen driving across a field. Hares seen running and dogs out of vehicle. Dogs not seen chasing the hares.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Vehicle occupants with dogs chasing hares. A dead hare seen to be dropped.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Call to police that someone has witnessed hare coursing	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Suspects using dogs in pursuit of hares on farmland	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Person caught hare coursing with 2 dogs	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As

		Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4 suspects and 2 dogs hare coursing	Under investigation
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Entering a dog for a hare coursing event Believed that a number of persons have used dogs to hunt hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Hunting a wild mammal with a dog 3 males and 2 dogs chasing a hare across open farm land	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000) Vehicle driven over a field of crops causing damage	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 4 persons seen with a dog in pursuit of hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Occupants of vehicle hunting hares with dogs	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Report of hare coursing	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 3 males with dogs. Numerous dead hares found in area	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Offenders have trespassed on farm land in pursuit of game with dogs	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Knowingly facilitating a hare coursing event Report of males care coursing in a field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As



		Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 3 males & 6 dogs seen on farmland. One dog seen chasing a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 4 males & dogs involved in hare coursing	Under Investigation
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 males & dogs on farmland. Suspected to be hare coursing	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 4 males & 3 dogs in field actively hare coursing	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Report of hare coursing. Males arrested.	Under Investigation
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Two dogs seen chasing hares	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Three men and a dog seen chasing a hare on farm land	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 2 males & 2 dogs seen in field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Report of 3-4 men with dogs in a field. One dog chases something, possibly a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Persons and dog on arable land in pursuit of hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 3 males detained. 4 dogs seized.	Under Investigation
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Adult male & dog pursued a hare	Under Investigation

2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 males driven across crops with dogs in pursuit of game	Under Investigation
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Hare coursing - 2 males & 4 dogs on farmer's land.	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 5 males seen trespassing on farm with dog in pursuit of game	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Adult males on field. Dogs seen to chase and kill a hare	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Vehicles & dogs seen coursing hares	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Group of males with dogs searching for game	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching 3 males with dogs seen on field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event 4 males and a dog engaged in hare coursing	Under Investigation
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Controlling or handling a dog at a hare coursing event Vehicle involved in hare coursing	Under Investigation
2017	Game Act 1831 as amended by Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Game Act 1831 : Day poaching Three men on farmland with dogs in pursuit of game	Under Investigation
2017	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000) Persons suspected of hare coursing have damaged wheat in field	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Reports of hare coursing involving 3 males	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As

		Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Participating in a hare coursing event Motor vehicle seen, believed hare coursing	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available
2017	Hunting Act 2004 – Attending a hare coursing event 3 males and 3 dogs seen in pursuit of hares	Under Investigation

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

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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  
Norfolk Constabulary  
Operations and Communications Centre  
Jubilee House  
Falconers Chase  
Wymondham  
Norfolk NR18 0WW  
OR  
Email: [freedomofinformation@norfolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@norfolk.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](http://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  
Telephone: 01625 545 700