



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 000136-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 9 January 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

“Orwell Bridge: figures for suicides from the Bridge, ideally by year since its construction to date?”

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 18 January 2019

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

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's call data for all incidents recorded that contain the word 'suicide' or 'Orwell Bridge'. This information is only available to search from 19 November 2013 to date as a result in the introduction of a new call system at this time. Legacy call data is no longer available for bulk data extraction.

The results of the above search were then filtered to include only those that occurred at the location of the Orwell Bridge and related to an individual jumping off the bridge. This will therefore not include occasions where people have threatened to jump.

Please be aware that the information supplied is based solely on a freetext search using the above mentioned parameters, there may be additional incidents recorded by the Constabulary, which do not appear here, as the call does not specifically match the search criteria.

There are a total of 4 incidents recorded that relate to a person jumping off the Orwell Bridge, noting that the incident in 2018 did not result in a fatality. The data is provided by year as follows:

2014 – 2

2015 – 1

2018 – 1

It is advisable to contact the coroner's office regarding this request as they may have more accurate information available.

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 Suffolk Constabulary to review their decision.

Ask Suffolk Constabulary to look at the decision again.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by Suffolk Constabulary under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding access to information, you must notify Suffolk Constabulary that you are requesting a review within 40 working 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 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 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
Telephone: 01625 545 700