



Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 000433-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies on 30 January 2019 which you sought access to the following information:

"In the year's 2016, 2017, 2018 (Calendar years)

How many recorded incidents, were subsequently recorded as the crime of rape and/or attempted rape, or any other sexual assault where the victim was an adult male in a same sex relationship

Please break down by type of offence e.g. 1 x rape 2 x sexual assault etc.

*Adult male is taken to mean a man over the age of 18 **AT** the time of the offence"*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 8 February 2019

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

A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all Sexual Assaults, Rape and Attempted Rape offences recorded during the 2016 – 2018 calendar years, where the victim and suspect were both male and the victim was aged 18 and over at the time of the offence.

Please note that gender and age recording is not recorded comprehensively as this is a non-mandatory field, therefore the figures provided will not include any offences where the gender and / or age of the victim / suspect has not been completed or completed correctly.

The information provided is based on those offences located using the above search parameters, where the victim and suspect are or have been, in a relationship. If this information is not recorded within the crime text, then the offence will not be included.

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.

Suffolk Constabulary		
Offence	2016	2018
Rape	2	3
Grand Total	2	3

Norfolk Constabulary		
Offence	2017	2018
Attempted rape of a male (16 or over) (Indictable)		1
Rape of a male (16 or over) (Indictable)	3	4
Grand Total	3	5

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 40 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
Telephone: 01625 545 700