



Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 000624-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies on 13 February 2019 which you sought access to the following information:

“Conducting a search of all complaints, classed under Type G (irregularity in evidence / perjury), made between 1 January 2011 and 1 January 2019;

- a. How many were sent for (or resulted in) a charging decision?*
- b. How many resulted in criminal charges?”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 20 February 2019

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

A review of the public complaint cases containing allegations recorded under the category of ‘Irregularity in evidence/perjury’ has been conducted. The tables below show by calendar year from 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2018, the number of complaint cases recorded and of those how many resulted in Management Action.

NORFOLK

Year	Number of complaint cases with an allegation of ‘Irregularity in evidence/perjury	Number of cases that resulted in management action
2011	6	0
2012	4	0
2013	9	0
2014	17	3
2015	17	0
2016	12	1
2017	19	0
2018	16	0

In 2011, one case resulted in two members of the Special Constabulary attending misconduct meetings for which one received a Final Written Warning and the other received a Written Warning.

In 2015, one case resulted in a police officer attending a misconduct meeting and receiving a Written Warning.

From information held on the Professional Standards database, none of the complaints relating to 'Irregularity in evidence/perjury' were forwarded for CPS for charging decisions and none resulted in criminal charges.

SUFFOLK

Year	Number of complaint cases with an allegation of 'Irregularity in evidence/perjury'	Number of cases that resulted in management action
2011	9	0
2012	7	0
2013	7	0
2014	12	0
2015	10	1
2016	7	1
2017	16	0
2018	7	1

In 2013, one case resulted in the allegation being upheld however the officer resigned in relation to this and another matter therefore no action was taken.

From the information held on the Professional Standards database, none of the complaints relating to 'Irregularity in evidence/perjury' were forwarded for CPS for charging decisions and none resulted in criminal charges.

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
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