



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 000889-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 4 March 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“The number of hate crimes carried out by people whose nationality is Irish*
2. *The number of hate crimes carried out against people who are Irish*
3. *The nature of these hate crimes*
4. *Whether any action or prosecution was taken as a result of these crimes”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 6 March 2019

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

A search has been completed of the Constabulary’s crime system for all hate crime offences recorded where either the victims or suspects nationality is recorded as Irish. The information provided does rely on the information of nationality being recorded within the relevant field of the crime system, so there may be additional offences that have not been located as this field has not been completed.

All hate crimes recorded where the nationality of the suspect is recorded as Irish, is provided in the table below.

Offence	Outcome	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Harassment, Alarm Or Distress	Type 16 – Named Suspect Identified – Evidential Difficulties	1				
Homophobic incident - non crime	Non Crime		1			
Racially or religiously aggravated common assault or beating	No further Action		1			
	Type 1 - Charged/Summonsed/Postal Requisition				1	
Racially or religiously aggravated harassment, alarm or distress	Type 1 - Charged/Summonsed/Postal Requisition		1			
	Type 3A - Caution Adult - alternate offence.					1
Racially or religiously aggravated intentional harassment, alarm or distress	Caution	1				
	Type 1 - Charged/Summonsed/Postal Requisition					1



Sec 5 POA Harassment, alarm or distress	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition			1		
Grand Total		2	3	1	1	2

All hate crimes recorded where the nationality of the victim is recorded as Irish, is provided in the table below.

Offence	Outcome	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Communications Act 2003, Sending or causing sending of grossly offensive / indecent / obscene / menacing or false message / matter by electronic communications network	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties		1			
Harassment - without violence (course of conduct)	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties					1
Hate Incident - Disability	Non Crime			1		
Hate Incident - Racial	Non Crime				1	
Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified.			1		
RACIAL/RELIGIOUS AGGRAVATED HARRA ALARM DISTRES	Caution	2	1			
RACIALLY MOTIVATED INCIDENT - NON CRIME	Non Crime	1				
Racially or religiously aggravated fear or provocation of violence	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties				1	
Racially or religiously aggravated harassment, alarm or distress	Type 12 - Prosecution Prevented- Named Suspect Identified But Is Too Ill (Physical Or Mental Health) To Prosecute				1	
	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties				1	
Racially or religiously aggravated intentional harassment, alarm or distress	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties				1	
	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties			1	1	
	Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified.					1
Sec 4a POA Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties			1		
Grand Total		3	2	4	6	2

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