



21st May 2019

Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 001354/19

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 8th April 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 Please provide the recorded number of possession of a bladed article offences that have taken place where the location is a school/educational facility and where the person suspected of the offence was a child (under the age of 16) for the calendar years:
 - i) 2018
- 2 Please break down point 1 by each child's age.
- 3 Time permitting, please provide a breakdown of the outcomes of the investigations in point 1 (including number of charges/cautions e.t.c)
- 4 If you can provide any further breakdown about the offences - i.e. the type of bladed article or any other information - then please do include this.

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 2nd May 2019.

Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies have located the following information as relevant to your request.

Research has been undertaken of the following offences where the suspect is aged under 16:-

- 8/27 Having an article with a blade or point on school premises
- 8/62 Threaten with a blade or sharply pointed article on school premises

This has returned 19 crimes in Norfolk and 23 in Suffolk.

Age of Child	Number of Crimes
NORFOLK	
8	3
11	3
12	2
13	3
14	7
15	1
SUFFOLK	

10	3
11	3
12	7
13	5
14	3
15	2

Please see crime outcomes below:-

Outcome	Number of Crimes
NORFOLK	
Type 2 - Caution Youth	1
Type 8 - Community Resolution (Crime)	5
Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)	3
Type 11 - Prosecution prevented: Named Suspect Identified But is Below The Age of Criminal Responsibility	2
Type 15 - Prosecution prevented: Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action but Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action	1
Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action	1
Type 20 - Further action resulting from the crime report will be undertaken by another body or agency subject to the victim (or person acting on their behalf) being made aware of the act to be taken	6
SUFFOLK	
Type 2 - Caution Youth	2
Type 8 - Community Resolution (Crime)	1
Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)	1
Type 15 - Prosecution prevented: Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action but Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action	4
Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action	3
Type 20 - Further action resulting from the crime report will be undertaken by another body or agency subject to the victim (or person acting on their behalf) being made aware of the act to be taken	10
Not Recorded	2

Please see below the type of knife/bladed article:-

Item	Number
NORFOLK	
Steak knife	1
Knife	4
Lock knife	3
Pocket knife	1
Penknife	1

Swiss army multi tool & knife	1
Stanley knife	3
Multi tool	1
Craft knife	1
Small vegetable knife	1
Modelling knife	1
Swiss army knife	1
SUFFOLK	
Knife	9
Folding knife	1
Stanley knife	1
Pocket knife	2
Bladed article	4
Multi tool	1
Kitchen knife	3
Lock knife	1
Wooden handled knife	1

This response will be published on the Constabularies web-site under the Freedom of Information pages:-

<https://www.norfolk.police.uk/about-us/our-data/disclosure-log>

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/services/freedom-information/disclosure-logs>

Should you have any further queries concerning this request, please contact Amanda Gibson, 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 40 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*

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 or contact them at the address shown below:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF
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