



## Freedom of Information Request Reference N<sup>o</sup>: FOI 001680-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 09<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *"The number of stolen pets (dogs, cats, horses, other small animals) OR crimes involving stolen pets in 2017 (1 January - 31 December).*
2. *If recorded, the species and breed of animals stolen in 2017 (1 Jan - 31 Dec).*
3. *Please provide locations (where known) involving theft of the animal eg house/street/ garden in 2017 (1 Jan - 31 Dec)*

### Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.

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

A search has been carried out of the Constabularies crime system, Athena where the property type was that of an animal. The below table confirms all offences recorded by animal type and breed (where recorded), the location from which the animal was believed to have been stolen and broken down by the respective force, for the 2017 calendar year.

### Norfolk Constabulary

Animal	Breed	Location of Theft
Dog	collie/staffie cross	House
Cat		Vicinity of house
3 x Dogs	2 x Saluki lurcher cross, 1 x jack russell cross	Vicinity of house
Dog	Staffy	House
2 x Dogs	2 x Tibetan Mastifs	Rear Garden
Dog	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Workshop
Dog	Cocker spaniel	Kennel at rear of the premises
Cat		Vicinity of house
Dog	mongrel	Car

Dog	Poodle	Outside shop
Bull	Aberdeen Angus	Unknown
2 x Dogs	1 x labrador crossed pointer, 1 x German wirehound pointer	Front Garden

### **Suffolk Constabulary**

<b>Animal</b>	<b>Breed</b>	<b>Location of Theft</b>
Dog	Short haired cocker spaniel	Front of house
Cat		Front of house
Dog	Jack russell	Garden
Dog	Beagle cross	Outside shop
Cat		Vicinity of house

***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.***

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](mailto: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 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](http://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