



20th June 2019

Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 001926/19

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 24th May 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

01 January 2017 – 01 January 2018 and 01 January 2018 – 01 January 2019

1 How many police officers were employed by this force?

Child Arrests and Charging Decisions

01 January 2017 – 01 January 2018 and 01 January 2018 – 01 January 2019

- 1 How many children were arrested by this force?
- 2 How many of the arrests resulted in drugs-related charges?
- 3 How many of the arrests resulted in theft-related charges?
- 4 How many of the arrests resulted in offensive weapons/bladed articles charges?
- 5 How many of the arrested children were referred to the National Referral Mechanism to be assessed as trafficking or slavery victims? This includes children who were charged or released under investigation; and those the police took no further action against.

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 6th June 2019.

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

Part 1

Q1

Date	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
NORFOLK		
01/01/2017	1521	1470.3
01/01/2018	1516	1463.9
01/01/2019	1604	1552.6
SUFFOLK		
01/01/2017	1095	1065.6
01/01/2018	1082	1053.9
01/01/2019	1142	1113.1

Part 2

Q1 Number of arrests of persons aged under 18 years.

Year	Number of arrests
NORFOLK	
2017	1280
2018	1368
SUFFOLK	
2017	1033
2018	1027

Q2 The following figures refer to the number of arrests which were drug related and resulted in 'charge'.

Reason for Arrest	Number of charges
NORFOLK - 2017	
Driving - Excess Drugs	2
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug	2
Drugs - Possess Class A	2
Drugs - Possess Class B or C	9
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A	13
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	12
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug	5
TOTAL	45
NORFOLK - 2018	
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug	9
Drugs - Possess Class A	3
Drugs - Possess Class B or C	6
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A	8
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	3
Drugs - Supplying Controlled Drug	1
TOTAL	30
SUFFOLK - 2017	
Driving - Excess Drugs	2
Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug	7
Drugs - Possess Class A	4
Drugs - Possess Class B or C	6
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A	13
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	7
TOTAL	39
SUFFOLK - 2018	

Drugs - Concerned in Supplying Controlled Drug	1
Drugs - possess Class B or C	6
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Class A	7
Drugs - Possession With Intent to Supply - Other than Class A	2
TOTAL	16

Q3 The following figures refer to the number of arrests which were theft related and resulted in 'charge'.

Reason for Arrest	Number of charges
NORFOLK - 2017	
Aggravated Vehicle Taking	1
Burglary - Attempted	1
Burglary - Dwelling	5
Burglary - Non Dwelling	6
Handling Stolen Goods	4
Making Off Without Payment	1
Robbery	4
Theft - From Machine/Meter	1
Theft- From Shop	26
Theft - From Vehicle	8
Theft - In a Dwelling Other Than From An Automatic Machine or Meter	2
Theft - Of Motor Vehicle	7
Theft - Of Pedal Cycle	3
Theft - Other	1
TWOC - Take a Motor Vehicle Without the Owners Consent	3
TOTAL	73
NORFOLK - 2018	
Aggravated Burglary In A Dwelling	3
Aggravated Vehicle Taking	1
Burglary - Attempted	1
Burglary - Dwelling	6
Burglary - Non Dwelling	4
Making Off Without Payment	2
Robbery	3
Theft - Attempted Theft Of A Motor Vehicle	1
Theft - From Employer	1
Theft - From Person	1
Theft - From Shop	25
Theft - From Vehicle	3
Theft - In A Dwelling Other Than From An Automatic Machine or Meter	1

Theft - Of Motor Vehicle	3
Theft - Of Pedal Cycle	2
Theft - Other	1
TWOC - Take a Motor Vehicle Without the Owners Consent	1
TOTAL	59
SUFFOLK - 2017	
Aggravated Burglary in a Dwelling	2
Aggravated Vehicle Taking	1
Burglary - Aggravated	1
Burglary - Attempted	1
Burglary - Dwelling	2
Burglary - Non Dwelling	4
Robbery	13
Theft - Attempted Theft of a Motor Vehicle	1
Theft - From Person	1
Theft - From Shop	14
Theft - From Vehicle	3
Theft - In a Dwelling Other Than From An Automatic Machine or Meter	2
Theft - Of Motor Vehicle	7
Theft - Of Pedal Cycle	3
TWOC - Take a Conveyance (not motor vehicle/pedal cycle) Without the Owners Consent	1
TWOC - Take a Motor Vehicle Without the Owners Consent	2
TOTAL	58
SUFFOLK - 2018	
Aggravated Burglary In A Dwelling	1
Aggravated Vehicle Taking	1
Burglary - Attempted	1
Burglary - Dwelling	4
Burglary - Non Dwelling	1
Robbery	3
Theft - From Person	1
Theft - From Shop	4
Theft - From Vehicle	1
Theft - Of Pedal Cycle	1
Theft - Other	1
TWOC - Take a Motor Vehicle Without the Owners Consent	4
TOTAL	23

Q4 The following figures refer to the number of arrests which were in relation to weapons/bladed articles and resulted in 'charge'.

Reason for Arrest	Number of charges
NORFOLK - 2017	
Possession of Firearms Offences	2
Possession of Firearms with Intent	1
Possession of Knife/Bladed Article	6
Possession of Offensive Weapon	4
TOTAL	13
NORFOLK - 2018	
Possession of Firearms Offences	1
Possession of Firearms with Intent	2
Possession of Knife/Bladed Article	12
Possession of Offensive Weapon	7
TOTAL	22
SUFFOLK - 2017	
Possession of Firearms Offences	1
Possession of Forearms with Intent	1
Possession of Knife/Bladed Article	7
Possession of Offensive Weapon	2
TOTAL	11
SUFFOLK - 2018	
Possession of Knife/Bladed Article	13
Possession of Offensive Weapon	2
TOTAL	15

Q5 The information has not been provided due to exemptions within the Freedom of Information Act.

The information is exempt from disclosure by virtue of the following exemption:-

- **Section 23(1) - Information concerning Security Bodies**

Section 23 is a class based and absolute exemptions and as such, I am not obliged to consider the public interest for disclosure or otherwise, of the information requested.

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:

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Water Lane
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