

Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002054-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 12 June 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

*“The BBC is investigating a story with regard to the **Latitude festival** and would like the following information where possible:*

- 1. Please provide the minutes to all meetings and correspondence (including emails) with council officials pertaining to safety and security for **Latitude festival** . And a) with particular reference to police on site attendance b) please also provide a list of attendees to those meetings and a list of names with regard to any correspondence please.*
- 2. Please provide any monetary values discussed during Safety Advisory meetings regarding on site policing (private services contract) for **Latitude festival**.*
- 3. What method was employed to report crime during each of the above festivals – where you undertaking an ethical reporting procedure? Or were crime stats collated in a traditional way?*
- 4. Please provide stats for crime related incidents to and from **Latitude festival** , as opposed to actual crimes.*
- 5. Please list the crimes which were reported for the crime related incidents.*
- 6. Please provide stats for actual crimes which occurred during **Latitude festival** .*
- 7. Please provide any stats for any crimes committed by the private security teams (and any sub-contractors employed by them) – (including stewards) at **Latitude festival**, and a) please list the crimes/offences committed.”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 20 June 2018

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

1. Suffolk Constabulary holds no information regarding police meetings with Council officials pertaining to safety and security at the Latitude Festival.

2. There has been no request from Festival Republic for private policing services, therefore no information is held in relation to this part of your request.
3. Crime recording at Latitude is fully compliant with the National Crime Recording Standards (NCRS). Those who have been a victim of a crime are able to speak to a police officer at any time during the festival. In addition, the Constabulary holds crime reporting surgeries on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings.
4. A search has been completed of all call data where the word 'Latitude' appears in the freetext of the call. Each was then reviewed to establish whether the incident occurred route to or from Latitude. The total number of calls recorded is provided in the table below:

Call Type	Jul-15	Jul-16	Jul-17	Total
ASB - Nuisance			2	2
ASB - Personal		1		1
Crime - Crime - Other			1	1
Crime - Drug Offences	1			1
Crime - Theft			2	2
Grand Total	1	1	5	7

5. Please see table above.
6. A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all offences recorded where 'Latitude' or 'Henham Park' is featured within the location or freetext fields of the crime.

The search undertaken relates to crimes occurring on or around the following festival dates:

2015: 16- 19 July
 2016: 14-17 July
 2017: 13-16 July

The table provided below confirms all offences located using the above search parameters, noting that there may be offences not linked with the festival itself.

Offence	2015	2016	2017
(outcomes only) Obtaining services dishonestly		1	
Assault occasioning ABH (s.47)			
Assault occasioning actual bodily harm (ABH)			3



Assault on a female by penetration (Indictable)			1
Assault without Injury - Common assault and battery			1
Attempted - Theft if not classified elsewhere			1
Burglary - Residential - Dwelling			1
Carry any firearm imitation or air weapon			
Common assault (no injury)	2		
Fear or provocation of violence (s.4 POA)			
Having possession of a controlled drug - Class A - Cocaine			1
Having possession of a controlled drug - Class A - MDMA		1	2
Having possession of a controlled drug - Class B - Cannabis		2	6
Having possession of a controlled drug - Class B - Ketamine			2
Possess a psychoactive substance with intent to supply		1	
Possession - Cannabis	7		
Possession - Cocaine			
Possession - MDMA			
Possession - Other class A	1		
Possession of a controlled drug with intent to supply - Class A - MDMA		2	1
Possession of a controlled drug with intent to supply - Class A - Other		1	
Possession of a controlled drug with intent to supply - Class B - Cannabis			1
Possession with intent to supply - Amphetamine			
Possession with intent to supply - Cocaine			
Possession with intent to supply - MDMA	1		
Possession with intent to supply - Other class A			
Possession with intent to supply - Unspecified drug	1		
Racially or religiously aggravated intentional harassment, alarm or distress			1
Rape of a female (16 or over) (Indictable)			1
Rape of a female (under 16) (Indictable)			1
Robbery - personal property	1		
Sec 4a POA Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress			2
Sexual assault on a female			2
Theft - from motor vehicle	1		
Theft - from the person	8		
Theft - of motor vehicle	1		
Theft - other	20		
Theft from a motor vehicle			2



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Theft from the person of another		3	5
Theft if not classified elsewhere		10	21
Unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle (does not include 'driving or being carried knowing motor vehicle has been taken')			1
Wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm (Indictable)			1
Grand Total	43	21	57

7. Using the data above, a search was completed for the word 'security' in the occupation of the suspect. No offences were located with these search parameters.

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.

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 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 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