

**Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002109-18**

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 18 June 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“How many reports of domestic abuse related incidents has the force responded to since 2013?”*
2. *How many convictions has your force secured for domestic abuse related offences since 2013?*
3. *How many of these convictions involved a “victimless prosecution” ie the victim did not support court proceedings?”*

**Response to your Request**

The response provided below is correct as of 26 June 2018

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

Information relating to calls the Constabulary has responded to is only available from 29 November 2013 due to the introduction of a new call handling system, STORM. Data Prior to this date, is no longer held in a format that allows for suitable data retrieval.

A search has been completed of the Constabulary’s call and crime systems for all domestic related incidents and crimes recorded for the 2013 – 2018 calendar years.

The total number of calls recorded as ‘Public Safety – Domestic Incident’ received by the Constabulary is provided in the table below, by year. Please note 2013 data relates to the time frame 29 November 2013 - 31 December 2013 as a result in a change in call recording system, and legacy data no longer being available to this detail.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total</b>
2013	558
2014	4,608
2015	4,502
2016	4,796
2017	4,248
2018	2,039



The total number of domestic related crime recorded is provided in the table below, by year.

Year	Total
2013	3,086
2014	3,629
2015	3,618
2016	4,737
2017	5,961
2018	4,165
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>25,963</b>

The Constabulary does not hold conviction data, which should be requested directly from the courts.

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](mailto: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](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