

**Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002523-18**

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

“The total of offences for the last four years (including 2018) where the victim occupation is recorded as a teacher and the primary location description is educational.

Can you provide the data broken down by year and by crime.”

**Response to your Request**

The response provided below is correct as of 27 July 2018

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

A search has been completed of the Constabulary’s crime system for all offences recorded where the victim’s occupation is recorded as a teacher. Please note that the victim occupation is not a mandatory field and consequently, there may be additional offences relevant to the request, but the victim occupation has not been completed.

The information has then been filtered to only include those offences where the location is recorded as a school or college. Please note that this does not necessarily mean the offences occurred at the schools themselves, rather within the vicinity of, the school.

The total number of offences recorded, where the victim occupation is ‘teacher’ and the location is a school or college is provided in the table below, by offence and year.

<b>Offence</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2014/15</b>	
Criminal Damage	4
Non Notifiable	1
Theft from motor vehicle	1
Theft other	7
Violence against a person	4
<b>2015/16</b>	
Affray	1
Burglary other building	1



Intentional harassment, Alarm or Distress	1
Common Assault and battery	1
Domestic Incident - non crime	1
Harassment	4
Possession class B cannabis	1
Theft other	1
<b>2016/17</b>	
Assault with injury - Common Assault	8
Attempted Sect 4A Public Order Act - Causing intentional harassment/alarm and distress	1
Possession of an offensive weapon	1
Theft other	2
Theft or unauthorised taking of a pedal cycle	1
Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	3
Sec 4 Public Order Act - Fear or provocation of violence	2
<b>2017/18</b>	
Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	1
Assault without injury - Common Assault and battery	1
Breach of restraining order	1
Harassment without violence (Course of Conduct)	1
Attempted Sect 4A Public Order Act - Causing intentional harassment/alarm and distress	1
Theft other	1
Sending letters with intent to cause distress or anxiety - Malicious Comms Act 1988	1

***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](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