



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002556-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 14 July 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *“The number of crimes where official logs included the words Tinder, Grindr, Match.com and eharmony in 2014 – 2019 (figures for each year respectively please).*
2. *The number of sexual offences where official logs included the words Tinder, Grindr, Match.com and eharmony in 2014 – 2019 (figures for each year respectively please).*
3. *The number of crimes where official logs included the words Tinder, Grindr, Match.com and eharmony in which the victim was under the age of 18 between 2014 – 2019.*
4. *The number of crimes where official logs included the words Tinder, Grindr, Match.com and eharmony in which the victim was under the age of 16 between 2014 – 2019.*
5. *The age of the youngest victim for the above offences between in 2014-2019.”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 29 July 2019

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

1. A search has been completed of the Constabulary’s crime system for all offences record that contain one or more of the following words: Tinder, Grindr, Match.com and eharmony. The total number of offences is provided below noting that the information does not clarify the nature of the call. Please note that freetext searches are by there nature unreliable, and there may be additional relevant offences not included as they did not contain words that exactly match the searches used.

Year	Tinder	Grindr	Match.com	eharmony
2014	0	0	0	0
2015	0	0	1	0
2016	9	1	2	0
2017	11	4	5	0
2018	10	2	2	0
2019	1	2	1	0



2. The number of sexual offences recorded that contain these words, is as follows, with blank rows omitted:

Year	Tinder	Grindr	Match.com
2015	0	0	1
2016	2	0	0
2017	0	0	0
2018	1	1	0

3. The number of crimes where the victim was under the age of 18 is as follows, with blank rows omitted:

Year	Tinder	Grindr	Match.com
2015	0	0	1
2016	2	0	0
2018	1	1	0

4. The number of crimes where the victim was under the age of 16 is as follows, noting these figures are included in those provided in Q3 above:

Year	Tinder	Grindr	Match.com
2015			1
2016	1		
2018	1	1	

5. The age of the youngest victim for the above offences is as follows:

Year	Youngest victim age
Tinder	14
Grindr	15
Match.com	9

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/>

Suffolk Constabulary is not responsible for the content, or the reliability, of the website referenced. The Constabulary cannot guarantee that this link will work all of the time, and we have no control over the availability of the linked pages.



**SUFFOLK
CONSTABULARY**
Taking pride in keeping Suffolk safe

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 40 working 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