



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 003812-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies on 23 October 2019 which you sought access to the following information:

“The number of occasions your police force was called to attend a betting shop in connection with a report of a crime within the premises. (Betting shop names if required are: William Hill, Paddy Power, Coral, Ladbrokes, Betfred, Stan James, Totesport, Jennings Bet, Boylesports, Quicksilver) Please provide details for the above for 2018; for January 1 2019 to March 31 2019; and for April 1 2019 to date.

For each of the above incidents, please include:

- a) date of the incident*
- b) location of the incident*
- c) summary of the incident*
- d) gender and ages of any individual(s) arrested.*
- e) the outcome (that is any charge, caution or no further action)”*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 28th October, 2019

Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies have considered your request for information and the response is below.

A freetext search has been carried out of the Constabularies crime system for all occasions recorded, where Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies have attended a betting shop. The data was retrieved using a freetext search for all offences that contain one or more of the following terms: ‘William Hill’, ‘Paddy Power’, ‘Coral’, ‘Ladbrokes’, ‘Betfred’, ‘Stan James’, ‘Totesport’, ‘Jennings Bet’, ‘Boylesports’, ‘Quicksilver’.

Please note that freetext searches are by their very nature unreliable, and consequently there may be additional relevant offences that have not been included in the table below as the freetext did not contain the specific terms searched.

The information has been supplied in separate tables to ensure no person is identified from the disclosure or investigation compromised.

The table on the attached spreadsheet confirms the Month and year of the offence, location town and offence.

The tables provided below confirm the Offence, gender, age and outcome relating to those offences that have resulted in an individual being arrested.

Suffolk Constabulary			
Offence	Gender	Age	Outcome
Sec 4 POA Fear or provocation of violence	Male	36	Type 3 - Caution Adult
Sec 4 POA Fear or provocation of violence	Male	34	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Sec 4 POA Fear or provocation of violence	Male	31	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Affray	Male	63	Type 3A - Caution Adult - alternate offence.
Assault occasioning actual bodily harm (ABH)	Male	24	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties
Robbery (Business) (Indictable)	Male	31	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
	Male	34	

Norfolk Constabulary			
Offence	Gender	Age	Outcome
Other criminal damage, other (£5,000 and over)	Male	36	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Minor wound without intent (s20)	Male	32	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Sec 4a POA Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress	Male	35	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Assault without Injury - Common assault and battery	Female	34	Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties
Sec 5 POA Harassment, alarm or distress	Male	36	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Assault without Injury - Common assault and battery	Male	29	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	Male	42	Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties
Assault without Injury - Common assault and battery	Male	28	Type 3A - Caution Adult - alternate offence.
Burglary - Business And Community	Male	25	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Attempted Burglary - Business And Community	Male	25	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Robbery (Personal) (Indictable)	Male	26	Under Investigation
Sec 4a POA Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress	Male	28	
	Female	21	
Other criminal damage, other (£5,000 and over)	Male	26	Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition
Minor wound without intent (s20)	Male	40	Type 4 - TIC - Taken into Consideration

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.

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/>

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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 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 Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary will aim to respond to your request for us to look at our decision again within 40 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:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
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