

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

**REQUEST NUMBER:** FOI Request 003933-17

**REQUEST DETAILS:**

1. *"The total number of alcohol breath tests carried out by your force for the following years:  
2015/16  
2014/15  
2013/14  
2012/13  
2011/12*
  
2. *The total spend within your police force on alcohol breath testing for the following years:  
2015/16  
2014/15  
2013/14  
2012/13  
2011/12*
  
3. *The total roads policing unit man hours within your force for the following years (if you do not have a dedicated roads unit please state the man hours for officers covering this function):  
2015/16  
2014/15  
2013/14  
2012/13  
2011/12*
  
4. *The roads policing budget within your police force, as a total, and as a percentage of your total operational budget, for the following years:  
2015/16  
2014/15  
2013/14  
2012/13  
2011/12*
  
5. *The number of roads policing officers within your police force for the following years:  
2015/16  
2014/15  
2013/14  
2012/13*

2011/12

**RESPONSE:**

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

*This response is correct as of 28 February 2017*

Norfolk and Suffolk Roads Policing and Firearms Operations Unit (RPF OU) is a collaborated function and the officers perform dual roles, carrying out a number of functions incorporating both Roads Policing and Firearm responsibilities.

1. The total number of roadside breath tests carried out by the Constabularies is as follows:

Financial Year	Norfolk	Suffolk
2011/12	17999	10,807
2012/13	19501	19,263
2013/14	18440	18,784
2014/15	16450	19,189
2015/16	12629	12,912

2. The total expenditure on alcohol breath testing, is provided in the table below. The information confirms the joint expenditure and the total expenditure by County Policing Command (CPC), which does not form a part of the overall RPF OU budget.

Financial Year	Joint	CPC (Suffolk)	CPC (Norfolk)
2011/12	Not available	Not Available	Not Available
2012/13	£537	£514	£1,800
2013/14	£809	£203	-
2014/15	£4,023	£496	-
2015/16	£4,481	£3,692	-

3. The Constabulary does not record man hours spent on roads policing duties.
4. The total budget for the RPF OU is as follows, noting that this budget is not limited to roads policing, but includes all aspects of the departments responsibilities.

Financial Year	Joint Budget
2011/12	Not Available
2012/13	£4,682,103
2013/14	£3,216,751
2014/15	£3,188,730
2015/16	£3,382,000

5. The total number of officers within the RPF OU, is as follows:

Date	Norfolk		Suffolk	
	Head count	Strength	Head count	Strength
01/04/2016	92	91.1	80	79.39
01/04/2015	95	94	84	83.39
01/04/2014	86	85	81	80.4
01/04/2013	85	84.4	85	84.43
01/04/2012	102	10.34	57	55.64

Further information concerning the RPF OU can be found on the force websites:

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/about-us/our-organisation/our-departments/specialist-operations>

<https://www.norfolk.police.uk/about-us/our-organisation/our-departments/specialist-operations>