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Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 003939-19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 1 November 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

*"The data I would like is for the following questions and to cover the time frame of **January 2016 to Date**;*

These requests relate to all offenders (not victims) under the age of 18 and the Home Office codes;

- *86/2 Take/make/distribute indecent photographs or (S) pseudo-photographs, of children. Protection of Children Act 1978 Secs 1 & 6 (as Amended by the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 Sec 84).*
- *86/10 Possession of an indecent or pseudo-photograph (S) of a child Criminal Justice Act 1988 Sec 160*
- *8/71 Disclose private sexual photographs with intent to cause with intent to cause distress. Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 Sec 33 (1)*

1. *How many times has 'Outcome 21' been used across your force?
- How many were female?
- How many were male?*
2. *How many of those 'Outcome 21s' relate to 'Youth Produced Sexual Imagery' (Sexting by Under 18s)?
- How many were female?
- How many were male?*
3. *How many of those Outcome 21s (relating to Youth Produced Sexual Imagery) involved 10 - 17 year olds?
- How many were female?
- How many were male?*
4. *How many overall reports of crimes relating to Youth Produced Sexual Imagery (sexting by under 18s) have been made?
- How many were female?
- How many were male?*



5. *How many children, those aged between 10 - 17, were charged with the offence of 'Possession of an indecent photograph or pseudo photograph of a child, Criminal Justice Act 1998 – section 160(1)'
- How many were male?
- How many were female?*

6. *How many children, those aged between 10 - 17, were charged with the offence of 'Taking, making, distributing and sharing an indecent photograph or pseudo photograph of a child, Protection of Children Act 1978 – section 1(1)'
- How many were male?
- How many were female?"*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 4 November 2019

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

The information provided below relates to the time frame 1 January 2016 – 5 November 2019.

1. A search has been completed of the Constabulary's crime system for all offences recorded with an outcome of Type 21. The table provided below confirms the total number of offences recorded with this outcome, by offence category.

| Gender | Total - Outcome Type 21 |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| Female | 421 |
| Male | 737 |
| Not Recorded | 168 |
| Unspecified | 1 |
| Total | 1327 |

2. Of the above offences, the table below confirms those that fall under the category of 'sexting', which is recorded by the Constabulary as 'Take or to make or to distribute indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs, of children', where the suspect is recorded as being aged 17 or under.

| Gender | Total - Outcome Type 21 |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| Female | 179 |
| Male | 187 |



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| Not Recorded | 26 |
| Total | 392 |

3. Of the above offences the number that related to suspects aged 10 – 17 is as follows:

| Gender | Total - Outcome Type 21 |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| Female | 173 |
| Male | 174 |
| Not Recorded | 23 |
| Total | 370 |

4. The total number of offences recorded under the offence category of 'Obscene Publications etc' and the suspect is aged under 18 years old, is provided in the table below:

| Offence | Female | Male | Not Recorded |
|--|---------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Possessing prohibited images of children | 2 | 3 | |
| Possession of an indecent or pseudo indecent photo of a child | 18 | 40 | |
| Possession of extreme pornographic image - a person performing an act of intercourse or oral sex with an animal (whether dead or alive) (bestiality) | 1 | | |
| Take or to make or to distribute indecent photographs or pseudo- photographs, of children | 379 | 357 | 21 |
| Total | 400 | 400 | 21 |

5. One person aged between 10 – 17 years old was charged with an offence under the category of obscene publications, for the offence of 'Take or to make or to distribute indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs, of children'.
6. As per question 5

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 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