

Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 004073-18

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk Constabulary on the 2 November 2018 in which you sought access to the following information:

1. *"The number of murders (that have resulted in convictions) which have occurred in your policing area since 2014.*
2. *The number of murders (that have resulted in convictions) that occurred between 20th December and 3rd January each year since 2014.*
3. *The number of murder victims (from incidents that have resulted in convictions) since 2014 that were female.*
4. *The number of murder victims (from incidents that have resulted in convictions) that took place between 20th December and 3rd January each year since 2014 that were female.*
5. *Of these female victims, how many of these cases found the perpetrator to be an individual with a relationship to the victim i.e. partner/ex-partner?*

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 13 November 2018

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

A search has been completed of all homicide offences recorded by the Constabulary during the 2014 -2018 calendar years.

1. There have been a total of 11 murder investigations that have resulted in a conviction.
2. During the timeframe 20 December – 3 January for each respective year, there have been a total of 2 murder investigations that have resulted in a conviction.
3. Of those investigations referred in question 1, four of the victims were female.
4. Of those investigations referred in question 2, none of the victims were female.
5. Of those female victims referred to in question 3, three of the perpetrators were recorded to have had a relationship with the victim.



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