



SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUEST NUMBER: FOI Request 004447-17

REQUEST DETAILS:

1. *"What is the current policing budgets dedicated to drug related crimes (such as drug possession, dealing) including investigations etc.? This can be 2015/2016 if the current year is not yet available.*
2. *Could I please have the same as above however I am looking for something slightly older around 1995 (If this is not held then the oldest that is held would be appreciated.*
3. *In connection with the above years could I please have the corresponding results, total drugs taken off the streets (Weight/value) and if possible the class of drug (A,B,C,D).*

CLARIFICATION:

In relational to the clarification, I am looking for seizures of drugs, whether on the street, or found through warrants, including those seized whilst being produced such a growing of cannabis & the making of amphetamines."

RESPONSE:

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

This response is correct as of 5 April 2017

1. Suffolk Constabulary does not have a specific budget dedicated to drug related crimes, rather funds are allocated to a range of departments who will all, as part of their role deal with drug related matters. These departments will include CSI, Response, Traffic, Dog handlers, Criminal Justice Service etc.
2. As above.
3. Information concerning drug seizures is extracted from the Home Office Annual Data Requirement (ADR). The attached spreadsheet provides a count of the number of drug seizures that have taken place since 2011 with a breakdown of the drug and year.



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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.