



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 005689-17

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies on the 13 July 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

"I would like to request details of assets seized by the force under the Proceeds of Crime Act between July 2012 and July 2017 in relation to prostitution or vice-related offences including, but not limited to:

*Loitering or Soliciting for Prostitution
Trafficking for Sexual Exploitation
Causing, Inciting and Controlling Prostitution for Gain
Keeping a Brothel
Paying for Sexual Services
Prostitution: Advertising*

In the case of each occasion where the force has seized assets in relation to a prostitution case, I would like to know the date they were seized, the amount or value of assets seized and the related offence."

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 13 July 2017

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

A list of assets seized by the Constabularies under the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) in relation to the specific offences referred to within the request, is provided in the table below, which includes the date and value of assets seized. In all cases the primary offence type is recorded as 'Pimps and Brothels / Prostitution / Pornography'.

Please note that there may be additional cases linked to the areas requested, but the information is not recorded within these records.

Please note the order date refers to the decision date.

Order Date	Force	Order Amount
12/12/2012	Suffolk Constabulary	£560.00
12/12/2012	Suffolk Constabulary	£147.46
12/12/2012	Suffolk Constabulary	£1.00
12/12/2012	Suffolk Constabulary	£1.00

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07/03/2013	Suffolk Constabulary	£467.52
16/12/2013	Suffolk Constabulary	£1,448.39
16/12/2013	Suffolk Constabulary	£1,507.61
07/07/2014	Suffolk Constabulary	£90.00
07/07/2014	Suffolk Constabulary	£3,200.00
02/10/2015	Suffolk Constabulary	£2,498.99
27/10/2016	Suffolk Constabulary	£1,260.00
13/09/2012	Norfolk Constabulary	£3,863.62

In addition to the above, Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies can **neither confirm nor deny** that it holds any other information relevant to the whole of your request by virtue of the following exemption:

Section 23(5) – Information supplied by, or concerning, certain security bodies

The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would involve the disclosure of any information (whether or not already recorded), which was directly or indirectly supplied to the public authority by, or relates to, any bodies specified in subsection (3).

This is an absolute exemption and I am therefore not required to complete a public interest test.

This cannot be taken as confirmation or otherwise that further information does or does not exist.

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/>

Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies are not responsible for the content, or the reliability, of the website referenced. The Constabulary cannot guarantee that this link will work all of the time, and we have no control over the availability of the linked pages.

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 20 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
Telephone: 01625 545 700