



8th August 2017

Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 005699/17

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

FOI Request: Police Support Volunteers and Volunteer Police Community Support Officers

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act.

- 1 Police Support Volunteers
 - A How many police support volunteers are currently registered with your force?
 - B How many of these volunteers are:
 - Male
 - Female
 - BME
 - C Please list each different role description for your police support volunteers
 - D What was the total number of hours worked in your force by police support volunteers in 2016?
 - E Please indicate which, if any, of your police support volunteer roles have been designated as 'policing support volunteers' in line with the Policing and Crime Act 2017, Part 3, Chapter 1, Police Workforce, 38. Power of police civilian staff and police volunteers
 - F Does your force intend to confer, or impose, any power or duty of a constable on any of your policing support volunteer roles, as provided for by the Policing and Crime Act 2017, Part 3, Chapter 1, Police Workforce, 38. Power of police civilian staff and police volunteers?
 - G If Yes, please list all those policing support volunteer roles on which you intend to confer, or impose, the power or duty of a constable, and list the powers or duties to be so conferred or imposed in respect of each role?
- 2 Volunteer Police Community Support Officers
 - A How many volunteer police community support officers are currently registered with your force?
 - B How many of these volunteers are:
 - Male
 - Female

- BME
- C What was the total number of hours worked in your force by volunteer police community support officers in 2016
- D Please indicate whether any of your volunteer police community support officer roles have been designated as 'community support volunteers' in line with the Policing and Crime Act 2017, Part 3, Chapter 1, Police Workforce, 38. Powers of police civilian staff and police volunteers?

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 3rd August 2017

Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies have located the following information as relevant to your request.

NORFOLK

Q1A There are currently 120 Police Support Volunteers.

Q1B The breakdown is:-
67 Male 53 Female 1 BME

Q1C The roles are:-

- Volunteer-CCTV Operator Gorleston
- Volunteer-Community Engagement Volunteer
- Volunteer-Coroners Office Support
- Volunteer-Crime Prevention Support
- Volunteer-FLO Support
- Volunteer-Force Historian
- Volunteer-ID Procedure Volunteer
- Volunteer-Local Policing Team Support
- Volunteer-PACT Volunteer
- Volunteer-Property Support Volunteer
- Volunteer-PSV & Specials Team Support
- Volunteer-Public Enquiry Officer
- Volunteer-Role Player
- Volunteer-SARC Support
- Volunteer-SIAS Developer
- Volunteer-Transport Services Volunteer
- Volunteer-Volunteer Cadet Leader

Q1D The total number of hours worked by the volunteers in 2016 was 13,413.

Q1E No designated roles.

Q1F No current plans to confer or impose any power or duty of a constable.

Q1G Not applicable.

SUFFOLK

Q1A There are currently 172 Police Support Volunteers.

Q1B The breakdown is:-
87 Male 85 Female 19 BME

Q1C The roles are:-

- 180 Degrees Support
- Bar Assistant
- CCTV Operator - Suffolk
- CJU Support
- Community Engagement Volunteer – Suffolk
- Community Safety
- Community Safety Translator
- Cybercrime Support
- Data Input Support
- DA Support
- Data Download Support
- Drugs Testing on Arrest (DTA) Support
- Force Chaplain
- HBV Support
- HR Support
- Information Management
- KUDOS Leader
- L&D Support
- Local Policing Team Support – Suffolk
- Metal Detecting
- MIT Support
- Museum Assistant
- Police Mutual
- PSV & Specials Team Support – Suffolk
- RMU
- Role Player – Suffolk
- Safeguarding & Welfare Translator
- Transport Services Volunteer – Suffolk
- Volunteer Cadet Leader
- PSV on Horseback

Q1D The total number of hours worked by the volunteers in 2016 was 12,503.

Q1E No designated roles.

Q1F No current plans to confer or impose any power or duty of a constable.

Q1G Not applicable.

Q2 There are no Volunteer Police Community Support Officers in Norfolk or Suffolk Constabularies.

This response will be published on the Constabularies web-site under the Freedom of Information pages:-

<https://www.norfolk.police.uk/about-us/our-data/disclosure-log>

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/services/freedom-information/disclosure-logs>

Should you have any further queries concerning this request, please contact Amanda Gibson, 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 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
Norfolk Constabulary
Operations and Communications Centre
Jubilee House
Falconers Chase
Wymondham
Norfolk NR18 0WW
OR
Email: freedomofinformation@norfolk.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
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Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF
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