



10th November 2017

Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 006803/17

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

I am currently conducting research for an article about the use of cash detention powers under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA).

I require the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 if it is available please;

- 1 Result tables for Norfolk Constabulary which will include the number of cash detentions the force has made using POCA powers (including where cash was initially seized using PACE powers and subsequently converted to POCA).

The amounts of cash seized for each year from 2008 to 2016.
- 2 The amounts of cash seized in each year from 2008 to 2016 and which have had to be returned to those from whom they were seized.
- 3 The amounts of detained cash which have been repatriated to victims of crime for each year from 2008 to 2016.
- 4 The number of cases won by way of contested court hearing
- 5 Number of cases won where respondents did not contest cases, for each year from 2008 to 2016.

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 10th November 2017.

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

The following information has been provided by the Eastern Region Special Operations Unit (ERSOU) who took over cash detentions for the Constabularies from October 2014.

NORFOLK

- Q1 The number of cash detentions using POCA powers has been provided in the table below. Information is not held regarding cash which was initially seized using PACE powers and subsequently converted to POCA.
- Q2 The amount of cash detained, which has had to be returned to those from whom it was seized, is not recorded by the Constabulary.

- Q3 Compensation to victims from Confiscation Orders has been provided in the table below. This does not relate to seized cash but does show total amounts of compensation to victims of crime.
- Q4 This information is not recorded on Constabulary systems.
- Q5 'Applications for return' have been provided below.

Year	No. Cash Detentions	Value of Cash Detentions		Application for Return	Compensation from Confiscations
2008/09	16	£1,128,618.95		0	£290,090.37
2009/10	14	£234,199.48		3	£239,180.59
2010/11	13	£75,633.40		3	£215,401.71
2011/12	7	£27,064.37		1	£563,046.55
2012/13	5	£17,238.10		0	£228,300.48
2013/14	5	£20,039.50		1	£552,821.57
2014/15	4	£52,905.00		0	£9,151,012.65
2015/16	1	£6,540.00		0	£0.00

The above figures do not include Cash Forfeiture Orders.

SUFFOLK

- Q1 The number of cash detentions using POCA powers has been provided in the table below. Information is not held regarding cash which was initially seized using PACE powers and subsequently converted to POCA.
- Q2 The amount of cash detained, which has had to be returned to those from whom it was seized, is not recorded by the Constabulary.
- Q3 Compensation to victims from Confiscation Orders has been provided in the table below. This does not relate to seized cash but does show total amounts of compensation to victims of crime.
- Q4 This information is not recorded on Constabulary systems.
- Q5 'Applications for return' have been provided below.

Year	No. Cash Detentions	Value of Cash Detentions	Application for Return	Compensation from Confiscations
2008/09	4	£88,503.74	0	£52,104.37
2009/10	2	£5,300.00	0	£71,135.47
2010/11	5	£31,595.00	4	£232,350.00
2011/12	2	£94,387.20	2	£76,226.91
2012/13	1	£3,014.07	0	£82,560.69
2013/14	1	£30,000.00	0	£616,438.73
2014/15	0	£0.00	0	£131,132.89
2015/16	0	£0.00	0	£223,106.06

The above figures do not include Cash Forfeiture Orders.

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Additionally Norfolk & Suffolk Constabularies can **neither confirm nor deny** whether it holds any other information with regard to an exempt body as the duty in Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply by virtue of the following exemption:

- **Section 23(5) Information Supplied by, or concerning, certain Security Bodies**

Section 23 is a class based absolute exemption and there is no requirement to consider the public interest in this case.

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
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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:

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