



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 003232-20

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies on 23 September 2020 which you sought access to the following information:

1. "How many times has your organisation conducted investigations into police officers under s.26 CJCA between February 2015 and February 2019?
2. How many times has your organisation conducted investigations into police officers under the common law offence of misconduct in public office (MIPO) between February 2015 and February 2019?
3. How many times has your organisation conducted investigations into police officers perverting the course of justice between February 2015 and February 2019?
4. How many times has your organisation conducted investigations into police officers for bribery offences between February 2015 and February 2019?
5. How many times has your organisation conducted investigations into police officers for fraud offences between February 2015 and February 2019?
6. a) Did any of the aforementioned investigations overlap? i.e. did the investigation consist of multiple offences relating to the same individual, such as s.26 CJCA and MIPO
b) If yes, please detail the number of investigations which involved multiple offences.
7. How many times did your organisation conduct investigations into police officers under the common law offence of MIPO between January 2011 and January 2015?
8. How many times did your organisation conduct investigations into police officers for perverting the course of justice between January 2011 and January 2015?
9. How many times did your organisation conduct investigations into police officers for bribery offences between January 2011 and January 2015?

10. How many times did your organisation conduct investigations into police officers for fraud offences between January 2011 and January 2015?
11. a) Has your organisation provided formal training or guidance on s.26 CJCA?
- Yes
 - No
 - Not sure / don't know
- b) What form did that training or guidance take?
- Classroom
 - Online interactive training
 - Online read only training
 - Informal notification via email or internal webpage notice
 - Other
12. How many referrals (regardless of final outcome) to the Crown Prosecution Service has your organisation made of police officers under s.26 CJCA between February 2015 and February 2019?
13. a) How many successful prosecutions has your organisation brought against police officers under s.26 CJCA between February 2015 and February 2019?
- b) What sentences were issued on those successful prosecutions?
14. How many referrals (regardless of final outcome) to the Crown Prosecution Service has your organisation made for police officers under the common law offence of MIPO between February 2015 and February 2019?
15. a) How many successful prosecutions has your organisation brought against police officers under the common law offence of MIPO between February 2015 and February 2019?
- b) What sentences were issued on those successful prosecutions?
16. a) Has your organisation seen a change in the level of corruption / corrupt practices since February 2015?
- Yes
 - No
 - No change
 - Don't know
- b) Are you able to offer an explanation to your answer to Q17)a)?"

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 9 October 2020

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

The information supplied below has been extracted from the Constabularies Professional Standards Department systems for the date ranges specified within the relevant questions. The information provided includes investigations whereby the initial allegations may have been recorded under a particular offence, for example Misconduct in a Public Office etc, but did not proceed to a full criminal investigation or misconduct offences were considered instead.

1. From February 2015 to February 2019, no police officers were investigated under S.26 Criminal Justice and Courts Act (CJCA).
2. From February 2015 to February 2019, the total number of officers investigated under Misconduct in a Public Office (MIPO), was as follows:

Norfolk – 6

Suffolk – 4

3. From February 2015 to February 2019, 1 police officer was investigated for perverting the course of justice. They were a Suffolk officer.
4. From February 2015 to February 2019, no officers were investigated for bribery offences.
5. From February 2015 to February 2019, 1 police officer was investigated for fraud offences. They were a Norfolk officer.
6. None of the above investigations overlapped.
7. From January 2011 to January 2015, the number of police officers investigated for MIPO, was as follows:

Norfolk – 7

Suffolk – 2

8. From January 2011 to January 2015, the total number of officers investigated for perverting the course of justice, was as follows:

Norfolk – 4

Suffolk – 1

9. From January 2011 to January 2015, no police officers were investigated for bribery offences.
10. From January 2011 to January 2015, the number of police officer investigated for fraud offences, was as follows:

Norfolk – 2

Suffolk – 2

11. The Constabularies have not provided formal training or guidance on Section 25 CJCA.
12. From February 2015 to February 2019, the Constabularies did not make any referrals to the CPS under S.26 CJCA.
13. N/A
14. From February 2015 to February 2019, the total number of referrals made to the CPS under MIPO, is as follows:

Norfolk – 2
Suffolk – 1
15. There were no prosecutions brought against any police officers under MIPO between February 2015 and February 2019.
16. There has not been any change in the level of corruption or corrupt practices since February 2015. No further information is held with regards to this question.

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 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
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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 40 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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