

25<sup>th</sup> January 2019

## Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 000309/19

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk Constabulary on the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

- How many people were arrested under Section 76 of the Serious Crime Act 2015 for 'Controlling or Coercive Behaviour in an Intimate or Family Relationship' in (please provide data for each full year respectively):
  - 2015
  - 2016
  - 2017
  - 2018
- Also, can you provide a breakdown of the official recorded crime outcomes of the arrests set out above in Q1 (charged, cautioned, no further action etc.), for each of the 4 years respectively: 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

# **Response to your Request**

The response provided below is correct as of 21st January 2019.

Norfolk Constabulary has located the following information as relevant to your request.

Research has been undertaken of both arrests and recorded crimes. Please see figures below:-

	Year						
Arrest Offence	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total		
Coercive / Controlling behaviour	0	18	33	50	101		

Engage in controlling/coercive behaviour in an intimate / family relationship.							
Outcome	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total		
Type 1 - Charged/Summonsed/Postal Requisition	0	5	16	23	44		
Type 1A - Charged/Summons - alternate offence. Offender has been charged under the alternate offence rule.	0	3	2	3	8		
Type 2 - Caution Youth	0	0	1	0	1		
Type 3 - Caution Adult	0	1	3	1	5		
Type 3A - Caution Adult - alternate offence. Offender has been given a simple caution under the alternate offences rule.	0	1	1	1	3		
Type 5 - Offender has died	0	0	1	0	1		
Type 9 - Prosecution Not In the Public Interest (CPS)	0	0	0	1	1		
Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)	0	2	3	1	6		
Type 14 - Evidential Difficulties Victim Based- Suspect Not Identified: Crime Confirmed But The Victim Either Declines	0	1	0	4	5		

Or Unable To Support Further Police Investigation To Identify The Offender					
Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action	1	25	51	52	129
Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action	0	30	71	83	184
Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available	0	2	1	0	3
Type 20 - Further action resulting from the crime report will be undertaken by another body or agency subject to the victim (or person acting on their behalf) being made aware of the act to be taken	0	1	2	5	8
Not Recorded / Under Investigation	0	1	8	75	84
Grand Total	1	72	160	249	482

<u>Please note</u> – the above outcome figures will change as further cases are finalised.

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

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

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 Norfolk Constabulary to review their decision.

### Ask Norfolk Constabulary to look at the decision again.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by Norfolk Constabulary under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding access to information, you must notify Norfolk Constabulary that you are requesting a review within 40 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: <a href="mailto:freedomofinformation@norfolk.pnn.police.uk">freedomofinformation@norfolk.pnn.police.uk</a>

In all possible circumstances Norfolk 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 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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a> 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