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Our Ref:F-2017-00960

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request-411994-4f0dad11@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Mr Goodman,

FREEDOM of INFORMATION ACT 2000 Reference No: F-2017-00960

Thank you for your request for Information, received at this office on 13 June, 2017, in which you requested details of the following:

I am writing to request the number of arrests made in relation to drug offences in the past five years in the area covered by the force.

That is, the number of arrests made in 2017 (so far), the total of arrests in 2016, total arrests in 2015, total arrests in 2014, and total arrests in 2013.

I would also like to request the number of convictions for each of the criteria listed above.

The Freedom of Information Act requires that this request is dealt with in a manner that is motive and applicant blind. A disclosure under this legislation is considered a disclosure to the world and is considered to be on the basis that it is in the public interest.

This response is unique to Humberside Police and you are advised not to compare this like for like with any other force's response you receive.

Humberside Police Response

No of arrests for drug offences 1/1/2013 - 31/5/2017										
Arrest Offences	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Grand Total				
Cultivate Cannabis	173	148	86	66	18	491				
Possession of Controlled Drug Possession of Controlled Drug with Intent to	851	790	518 251	522 277	216	2897 1444				
Supply Supply of	401	304	251	2//	131	1444				
Controlled Drug	7	9	11	11	3	41				
Grand Total	1432	1331	866	876	368	4873				







Unfortunately we do not hold conviction data as this would be held by the Courts. However, I am able to supply the arrest figures which resulted in a charge.

No of arrests for drug offences resulting in a Charge disposal										
Arrest Offences	Most Serious Disposal	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Grand Total			
Cultivate Cannabis	Charged and Bailed To Court Charged and Detained For Court	73 11	46 8	36 6	24	3	182 33			
Possession of Controlled Drug	Charged and Bailed To Court Charged and Detained For Court	352 140	323 163	192 123	203	81 52	1151 598			
Possession of Controlled Drug with Intent to Supply	Charged and Bailed To Court Charged and Detained For Court	180 43	130 44	90	94	17 38	511 197			
Supply of Controlled Drug	Charged and Bailed To Court Charged and Detained For Court	3	2	1	1	1	7 5			
Grand Total		802	716	488	482	196	2684			

Should you need to discuss this further please contact Adele Livingston, Information Compliance Officer on the above details.

Yours sincerely,

Adele Livingston Information Compliance Officer









Humberside Police – Freedom of Information Complaints Review Procedure

Why Have A Complaints Process?

Humberside Police is committed to delivering an open and transparent service whenever possible and it is our intention to commit to the principles of openness embodied in the Freedom of Information Act. We will release information to the greatest extent possible, consistent with the public interest, however we may withhold information if we consider its release would cause significant harm.

If information within a document is withheld, it will be clearly marked to show where information has been removed and the legal exemption we have used. If we decline to supply all or part of any information you have asked for we will notify you in writing giving our reasons based upon legal exemptions contained within the Freedom of Information Act.

If you are not satisfied about the way in which your Freedom of Information request has been handled you have the right to appeal. This information has been designed to help you to understand how to complain to Humberside Police. Using this process will not affect your right to complain directly to the Information Commissioner if you feel we have not complied with our obligations under the Freedom of Information Act.

How Long Do I have to Raise A Complaint?

Once we have responded to your Freedom of Information Request you will have 40 working days in which to raise your complaint.

Who Can Complain?

Anyone who has made a Freedom of Information request in writing to the Force can complain. If you have requested information and you are not satisfied with the way we have dealt with it, you can use the complaints process to have it looked at again. If someone who requested information would like to complain but cannot do so themselves, you can complain on their behalf but it will help us if you make it clear that you are doing so.

What Can I Complain About?

If you are not satisfied with the way we have handled your request, with the fee we have charged, or with the reasons we have given for refusing to provide information, you have the right to appeal. You can complain about the range, amount and format of information we have sent following a request. You can also complain about the way a request was handled, for example, the time it took to respond.

How Do I Complain?

To deal with your complaint as quickly as possible, it will help if you can give us as much information as you can about the original request made and the reason for your complaint. Please put your complaint in writing and address it to:

FOI Appeals

Humberside Police Information Compliance Unit

Police Headquarters







What Happens To My Complaint?

Once we have enough details to identify the request, we will begin the review. The Head of The Information Compliance Unit will normally review your complaint. In the more complex cases a review panel consisting of a number of senior personnel from the Force will re-examine your complaint. We aim to complete the review process within 20 working days of receiving your complaint. Upon completion we will send you the findings.

How Will I Be Notified?

Where we have not followed procedures or have failed to provide acceptable quality of service, we will apologise and explain what we will do to ensure this doesn't happen again. If our original decision to withhold information is over-turned on appeal we will send you the additional information immediately. If we believe that our original response was correct we will let you know, and inform you of your options (see below).

What If I'm Still Not Satisfied?

If we have been unable to resolve your complaint and you are not satisfied you can approach the office of the Information Commissioner, who may investigate the matter on your behalf. This option is open to you at all times, but we will endeavour to address your complaint initially, as this may lead to a speedier resolution. It is the Information Commissioner who decides whether to investigate or not. We will co-operate fully with the Information Commissioner.

If you have any further questions about the complaints process, please contact the Information Compliance Unit on 01482 578039 or alternatively you can write to:

Head of Information Compliance Unit Humberside Police Headquarters Priory Road Hull HU5 5SF

Email: Informationcomplianceunit@humberside.pnn.police.uk

Requests for a review by the Information Commissioner should be made in writing directly to:

The Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Phone: 01625 545 700

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