



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 00-17

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk and Suffolk Constabulary on the 5 June 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

"Please could you supply me with a print out/copy of the front page of your internal intranet (redacting any sensitive information of course)."

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 6 June 2017

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

The attached provides a copy of the front page of the Constabularies' intranet pages including:

- Suffolk Constabulary Intranet
- Norfolk Constabulary 'The Beat'
- Suffolk and Norfolk Collaboration portal

Certain information has been redacted from the extract as a result of exemptions within the Act.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires that Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies, when refusing to provide information (because the information is exempt) is to provide you, the applicant, with a refusal notice which:-

- a. States that fact;
- b. Specifies the exemption(s) in question and;
- c. States (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption(s) applies.

The information is exempt from disclosure by virtue of the following exemption:-

Section 31(1)(a)(b) Law enforcement

Section 31 is a qualified prejudice based exemption and therefore we are obliged to provide evidence of harm and a public interest test.

Evidence of Harm

The Police Service is charged with enforcing the law, preventing and detecting crime and protecting the communities we serve. Providing certain information would identify key policing tactics that could result in harm being caused to future operations.

Factors favouring disclosure

Disclosure would show openness and transparency which is the fundamental basis of the Freedom of Information Act.

Factors against disclosure

Disclosure could provide those intent on disrupting police activities with useful information that could lead to the compromise of police investigations.

Balance Test

Information contained within the Constabulary intranet pages will invariably contain sensitive data; ensuring Constabulary employees are apprised with all ongoing matters of relevance to them. Disclosure of certain information into the public domain would prejudice the effective execution of policing operations.

The Constabularies consider the public interest is served by the provision of the un-redacted data, considering the redacted aspects of the extract does not add any further context to the data being disclosed.

The harm that could be caused by the disclosure of the redacted elements outweighs the public interest in its disclosure. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act this letter serves as a refusal notice for this part of your request.

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/>

Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies are not responsible for the content, or the reliability, of the website referenced. The Constabulary cannot guarantee that this link will work all of the time, and we have no control over the availability of the linked pages.

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
IP5 3QS
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 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
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Telephone: 01625 545 700