

Our Ref: 1065.2021-22 Date: 31 March 2022



Dear Applicant,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 1065.2021-22

I write in connection with your request for information which was received by North Yorkshire Police on 21 February 2022. Please accept our apologies for the delay in this response. I note you seek access to the following information:

For the calendar years 2019, 2020 and 2021 – could you please respond with:

- 1. The number of reported crimes which mentioned "road rage" in the MO field of the crime report and the detailed crime type.
- 2. The number of road traffic accidents recorded with a contributing factor of "aggressive driving" (code 601)

Extent and Result of Searches to Locate Information

To locate the information relevant to your request searches were conducted within North Yorkshire Police. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by North Yorkshire Police.

Decision

I have today decided to disclose the located information to you.

1) Please see the table below which outlines the count of Crimes recorded between 01.01.2019 and 31.12.2021 with the free text term 'road rage' recorded in the MO remarks, segregated by crime type/description and calendar year.

North Yorkshire Police Crime – MO Remarks Free Text 'Road Rage' - 01.01.2019 to 31.12.2021					
Crime Type/ Description	2019	2020	2021		
Arson & Criminal Damage	6	3	4		
Criminal Damage To A Vehicle	6	3	4		
Drug Offences	0	0	1		
Possession Of Controlled Drugs (cannabis)	0	0	1		





Public Order Offences	11	15	11
Public Fear, Alarm Or Distress	11	11	9
Racially Or Religiously Aggravated Public Fear, Alarm Or Distress	0	4	2
Vehicle Offences	0	0	1
Aggravated Vehicle Taking	0	0	1
Violence Against The Person	32	12	13
Assault With Injury	11	4	4
Assault Without Injury	20	7	8
Harassment	1	0	0
Malicious Communications	0	0	1
Racially Or Religiously Aggravated Assault With Injury	0	1	0
Grand Total	49	30	30

2) Please see the table below which outlines the count of Road Traffic Collisions (RTCs) recorded between 01.01.2019 and 31.12.2021, presenting with a contributory factor of '601 Aggressive Driving'.

North Yorkshire Police – RTC Contributory Factor '601 Aggressive Driving'					
Contributing Factor	2019	2020	2021		
601 Aggressive Driving	31	23	26		

Please note that systems used for recording information are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted therefore that this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other responses you may receive.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet which details your right of complaint. If you have any queries concerning this request, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

Robert Bates Legal Officer (Civil Disclosure) Joint Corporate Legal Services

COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Are you unhappy with how your request has been handled or do you think the decision is incorrect?

You have the right to request that North Yorkshire Police review their decision.

Prior to lodging a formal complaint you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.

Ask to have the decision looked at again -

The quickest and easiest way to have the decision looked at again is to telephone the case officer that is nominated at the end of your decision letter.

That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.

Complaint

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision North Yorkshire Police made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) regarding access to information you can lodge a complaint with North Yorkshire Police to have the decision reviewed. North Yorkshire Police must be notified of your intention to complain within 2 months of the date of its response to your Freedom of Information request. Complaints should be made in writing and addressed to:

Force Solicitor and Head of Legal Services North Yorkshire Police Alverton Court Crosby Road Northallerton North Yorkshire DL6 1BF

In all possible circumstances North Yorkshire Police will aim to respond to your complaint as soon as practicable but within 20 working days.

The Information Commissioner

After lodging a complaint with North Yorkshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make application 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 https://ico.org.uk Alternatively, phone: 0303 123 1113 or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF