



Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 001497-21

I write in connection with your request for information received by Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies on 26 April 2021 which you sought access to the following information:

"I would like to request the number of vehicles seized by the force in both 2019 and 2020, broken down by the reasons for the seizures."

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 28 April 2021

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

Police Officers may need to remove and seize vehicles for a variety of reasons. The Constabularies Vehicle Recovery Managing Agent (AADL) have provided information on the number of vehicles seized and removed through the managed vehicle recovery service for 2019 and 2020.

The information has been supplied within the attached spreadsheet under the specific seizure reason/statutory removal power used, which are as follows:

S165 NO INS	S165a Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 - seizure for No Insurance/Driving otherwise in accordance
S165 NO LICENCE	S165a Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 - seizure for No Licence/Driving otherwise in accordance
S165 BOTH	Both the above offences
SECTION 59	Section 59 Police Reform Act 2002 - seizure for a vehicle being driven when alarm, distress or annoyance to members of the public is caused or is likely to be caused
RTC	Road Traffic Collision

It should be noted that the Coronavirus Pandemic did reduce the number of vehicles on our roads and that is reflected when the 2019 and 2020 figures are compared.

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
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 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:

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