

Our Ref: 0389.2020-21 Date: 04 September 2020

Civil Disclosure Joint Corporate Legal Services

Dear Applicant,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 0389,2020-21

I write in connection with your request for information which was received by North Yorkshire Police on 24 August 2020. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1. The number of catalytic converters reported stolen within your jurisdiction.- Can I please receive the total thefts for each individual time period of:
 - a) 01/04/2017 31/03/2018
 - b) 01/03/2018 31/03/2019
 - c) 01/04/2019 31/03/2020

Could this be a total count of recorded thefts within the boundaries of: Your jurisdiction and if possible, York.

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. The table below shows the total number of theft crimes recorded by North Yorkshire Police where a catalytic converter is linked as stolen, between 01 April 2017 and 31 March 2020. Please note for part (b) of your question I have provided figures on a financial year basis and therefore the data parameters are 01 April to 31 March.





	Number of Catalytic Converters Stolen (01.04.2017 – 31.03.2020)
2017/2018	0
2018/2019	2
2019/2020	16
Total	18

In addition, 13 of the above crimes were committed in the York area, 2 of which were between 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019 and 11 occurred between 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020.

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

Elisha Marsay 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