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**Private**

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Our Reference 1166/14  
Your reference  
Date 01 December 2014

Dear Mr Leigh

I write in connection with your request for information dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October concerning officers who have been arrested.

Specifically you asked

*"Since 2012 how many of each rank (officers and staff) within your Constabulary have been arrested followed with prosecution of criminal charges, please list crime and rank, please feel free to use a spread sheet to show evidence."*

I have included only those officers and staff who have been arrested since 1 January 2012. This excludes officer and staff who were arrested prior to this but whose court case didn't commence until after 1 January 2012.

I have interpreted prosecution to mean any case where the officer or staff member has been charged or summonsed to appear at court.

I have not included circumstances whereby an offence has been dealt with by way of fixed penalty i.e. penalty notice for disorder, damage, drunk or theft. Similarly I have not included conditional discharge outcomes.

Please find the information requested in the table below.

Number	Arrest	Offence	Charge/Summons
Police Constable	Yes	Theft	Summons
Special Constable	Yes	Sexual Offence	Charged
Staff	Yes	Sexual Offence	Charged
Police Constable	Yes	Common Assault	Charged

Please note: Arrest will only be used as a necessity. Officers and staff can be investigated for criminal offences without being arrested. They will be voluntary attenders and if appropriate will be summonsed to court.

Yours sincerely

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Freedom of Information Officer  
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Please note:

1. Requests and responses may be published on Avon and Somerset Constabulary's website (within 24 hours), some of which may contain a link to additional information, which may provide you with further clarification.
2. Whilst we may verbally discuss your request with you in order to seek clarification, all other communication should be made in writing.
3. Avon and Somerset Constabulary provides you with the right to request a re-examination of your case under its review procedure (copy attached).