

**Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 001493-21**

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

1. *"Can you please give me a list of the Suffolk Constabulary Vehicle Fleet from 1990-2005.*  
*-Date: 1990-2005.*  
*-Model Year*  
*-The Vehicle Make & Model*  
*-Type of Vehicle (Including Van's Wheelbase and Roof Size)*  
*-Number of Doors (Example: 3-Door, 5-Door etc)*  
*-The Role of the Vehicle (Including Tactical Firearms Unit)*  
*-Marked or Unmarked -The Year the Vehicle was Commissioned*  
*-The Year the Vehicle was Decommissioned*
2. *When did the Tactical Firearms Unit was formed?*  
*When did Suffolk Constabulary had Armed Response Vehicles?*

**Response to your Request**

The response provided below is correct as of 25 May 2021

Suffolk Constabulary has considered your request for information and the response is below.

1. Suffolk Constabulary does not retain comprehensive records of its fleet dating as far back as 1990. The information provided within the attached spreadsheet provides all information that is recorded as of the date of the request, there will undoubtedly be fleet vehicles that were in operation during the time, whose records are no longer held by the Constabulary. Therefore, the information provided will not be a complete picture for the Constabulary's fleet during that time.
2. The Constabulary does not hold the specific date on which the Tactical Firearms Unit (TFU) was formed. To assist, the Tactical Firearms Unit was formed circa 1990/91.

The armed response vehicles (ARV) have always been in existence.

The TFU no longer exists and was disbanded in 2012, being replaced by the Roads Armed Poling Team (RAPT).

Further information concerning the Constabulary's armed response can be found on our



website:

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/about-us/our-organisation/our-departments/specialist-operations>

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 Suffolk Constabulary to review their decision.

Ask Suffolk Constabulary to look at the decision again.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made by Suffolk Constabulary under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding access to information, you must notify Suffolk Constabulary that you are requesting a review within 40 working 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](mailto:information@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)*

In all possible circumstances 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 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](http://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