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Dear Mr Bowyer,

I write in response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted on 23 September 2016. Thames Valley Police has now considered this request, which for clarity, has been repeated below:

<u>Request</u>	<u>Response</u>
<p>Could you please let me have statistics on the force's use of powers to remove trespassers under S61 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994.</p> <p>Broken down by whatever geographical boundaries are easiest to provide (whether LPA, Local Authority area or something else), I'd like to know how many times TVP has used S61 powers per year, for whatever years figures are available.</p>	<p>This request is being refused under Section 12(1) of the FOIA.</p> <p>Section 12 of the FOIA allows that public authorities do not have to comply with section 1(1) of the Act if the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this request.</p> <p>Thames Valley Police do not record this information centrally and to obtain how many times these powers have been used would require a manual search of every individual system and file that we hold. We would also potentially have to speak to every Police Officer employed by Thames Valley Police to see whether they have it recorded. This will exceed the appropriate 18 hour time and £450 cost limit.</p> <p>Section 16:- Further advice &</p>



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	<p>assistance</p> <p>We have continued to provide information where possible. The provision of this data does not affect our legal right to rely on Section 12 for the rest of your request.</p> <p>Please see below the number of arrests made by Thames Valley Police for trespassing, broken down by year:</p> <p>2013 – 27 2014 – 9 2015 – 5</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Source of data Custody Niche.• The above data has been extracted using reason for arrest: Removal of Trespassers failure to comply with Section 62A – direction to leave land Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994, Enter Land as a Trespasser at Night With Poaching Equipment, Knowingly as a Trespasser live/intend to live in a residential building.
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Complaint Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision made by Thames Valley Police, you can lodge a complaint with the force to have the decision reviewed within two months of the date of this response. Complaints should be made in writing to the FOI inbox; publicaccess@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

If, after lodging a complaint with Thames Valley Police, you are still unhappy with the outcome, you may make application to the Information Commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.



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If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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