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Dear

**Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

I write in connection with your request for information, which was received by Nottinghamshire Police on 06/06/2017.

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Nottinghamshire Police to locate the information you require.

**RESPONSE**

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that Nottinghamshire Police does hold the information you have requested.

Please find below answers to your questions:-

**a) The number of reported thefts of i) dogs, ii) cats, iii) rabbits, iv) all animals, within the police force area, in the each of the last three years for which figures are available;**

Please see overleaf for the data held in relation to your request in the form of a table.

**No of Crimes of theft of animals\* \*\* \*\*\***

	Year			
Animal	2014	2015	2016	Grand Total
Cat	0	1	2	3
Chicken	0	0	2	2
Cow	0	1	1	2
Dog	19	17	19	55
Duck	0	0	1	1
Ferret	0	0	1	1
Koi Carp	0	0	1	1
Rabbit	3	2	4	9
Sheep	0	0	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>75</b>

\* Data has been provided by searching on the HO Codes '39 - Theft from person' '40 - Theft in a dwelling other than from an automatic machine or meter' '45 - Theft from vehicle' '49- Other theft'

\*\* Data provided is where the words 'Dog' 'Cat' 'Rabbit' or 'Animal' have been found in the Occurrence Summary

\*\*\* Please be aware that the above data consists of the number of Crimes involving the Theft of an animal and not the number of actual animals stolen

Please Note:- This data has been extracted from a live crime system and may be subject to change  
Source:- Performance & Insight 29.06.17

**b) The number of reports of the poisoning of animals in each of the last three years for which figures are available;**

**No of Crimes that involved poisoning of animals\*\*\*\***

	Year			
Animal	2014	2015	2016	Grand Total
Cat	1	3	9	13
Dog	0	2	1	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>

\*\*\*\* Data provided is where the words 'Poison Dog' 'Poison Cat' 'Poison Rabbit' or 'Poison Animal' have been searched for in the Occurrence Summary

Please Note:- This data has been extracted from a live crime system and may be subject to change  
Source:- Performance & Insight 29.06.17

**c) The number of animals reported stolen that were subsequently recovered and returned to their owners in each of the last three years for which figures are available;**

Please see overleaf for the data held in relation to your request in the form of a table.

**No of Crimes of theft of animals in which an animal was subsequently recovered\* \*\* \*\*\*\*\***

Animal	Year			Grand Total
	2014	2015	2016	
Cat	0	0	1	1
Dog	11	7	11	29
Rabbit	2	1	0	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>33</b>

\* Data has been provided by searching on the Ho Codes '39 - Theft from person' '40 - Theft in a dwelling other than from an automatic machine or meter' '45 - Theft from vehicle' '49- Other theft'

\*\* Data provided is where the words 'Dog' 'Cat' 'Rabbit' or 'Animal' have been found in the Occurrence Summary

\*\*\*\*\* Data provided consists of the number of crimes involving the Theft of an animal in which at least one animal was recovered

Please Note-: This data has been extracted from a live crime system and may be subject to change  
Source-: Performance & Insight 29.06.17

**d) The number of special constables used by the force in each of the last three years for which figures are available;**

Date	No. of Special Officers
31/3/17	239
31/3/16	287
31/3/15	252

Please be aware: the correct number of Specials is completely reliant on line manager providing a timely notification of leavers. The reports the numbers were taken from will include Special Officers who had left but had no notification of this submitted.

**e) The number of reported thefts by individuals riding on mopeds in each of the last three years for which figures are available;**

**No of Crimes of Theft where the offenders were riding Mopeds in 2014, 2015 and 2016\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\***

Year	No. of Crimes
2014	3
2015	5
2016	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>10</b>

\*\*\*\*\* Data has been provided by searching Crime Tree Level 2 for Theft offences

\*\*\*\*\* Data provided is where the word 'Moped' has been searched for in the Occurrence Summary

Please Note:- This data has been extracted from a live crime system and may be subject to change  
Source:- Performance & Insight 18.07.17

**Please Note:** Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide crime statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the crime data. **It should be noted that for these reasons, this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.**

### **Complaints Rights**

Your attention is drawn to the enclosed review procedure, which details your right of complaint.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Nottinghamshire Police.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer on telephone number 0115 9672507 or e-mail [freedomofinformation@Nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@Nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk) quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

**Disclosure Officer**

## **Are you dissatisfied with your response?**

Nottinghamshire Police has a duty to implement a complaints process in relation to Freedom of Information Act requests. If you are not content with our response, you may appeal, this process is known as an 'Internal Review'

Internal reviews are intended to be a fair and impartial means of reviewing the original request process.

You can appeal about your request if you:-

- Disagree with the Forces interpretation of your request;
- Believe the Force hold more information than has been disclosed to you;
- Disagree with the application of exemptions;

### **How do I appeal?**

All appeals should be made in writing and sent to:-

Information Management  
Nottinghamshire Police  
Force Headquarters  
Sherwood Lodge  
Arnold  
Notts  
NG5 8PP

or alternatively [freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk)

To deal with your appeal as quickly as possible please provide the unique identification number provided with your response and the reasons for your appeal.

Once we have received your request for appeal, your FOI response will be reviewed in full to identify any problems in the disclosure.

The review will be undertaken by someone different from, and preferably senior to, the original decision maker and this should be completed within 20 working days from receipt, in exceptional circumstances it may be extended by a further 20 working days.

### **What if I'm still not satisfied?**

You can appeal to the Information Commissioner. You can contact the Information Commissioner Office at the following:-

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate)

E-mail: [casework@ico.org.uk](mailto:casework@ico.org.uk)