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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 12/06/2017.

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:-

1.

a) The number of knife crime offences reported to the force for each of the last four calendar years, including 2016.

Calendar Year	No. of Offences
2013	594
2014	557
2015	577
2016	690

b) The number of knife crime offences reported to the force that resulted in force action for each of the last four calendar years, including 2016.

Answer: - Please refer to the table below under 1c)

c) The number of knife crime offences reported to the force that were solved for each of the last four calendar years, including 2016.

Outcome	Year				Total
	2013	2014	2015	2016	
1: Charged	211	194	193	151	749
1: Summoned/postal requisition	3	2	10	15	30
10: Police - formal action not in public interest	0	10	7	15	32
12: Named suspect too ill to prosecute	0	2	2	0	4
14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender	0	22	23	37	82
15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	0	0	0	2	2
15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	0	0	0	2	2
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	4	74	103	88	269
17: Suspect identified but prosecution time limit expired	0	1	0	0	1
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	10	139	121	157	427
1A: Alternate offence charged	0	0	3	38	41
1A: Alternate offence summonsed/postal requisition	0	0	0	2	2
2: Youth caution	7	0	2	2	11
20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy	0	0	8	7	15
21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest	0	0	0	3	3
2A: Alternate offence youth caution	0	0	0	1	1
3: Adult caution	4	6	2	0	12
3A: Alternate offence adult caution	0	0	1	0	1
8: Community resolution	3	2	2	4	11
9: CPS - prosecution not in public interest	3	18	28	9	58
Cancelled/transferred	0	0	1	10	11
Hist - Resolved - 15.0 Suspect NFA evi diff	7	48	65	121	241
UU unresolved	342	39	6	24	411
Not Recorded	0	0	0	2	2
Grand Total	594	557	577	690	2418

* The knife crime data has been extracted using the Home Office guidance for knife crime (ADR160) with the inclusion of Murder

** Data provided is from 1st January 2013 - 31st December 2016

2.

a)The number of firearm crime offences reported to the force for each of the last four calendar years, including 2016.

Calendar Year	No. of Offences
2013	109
2014	90
2015	115
2016	155

b)The number of firearm crime offences reported to the force that resulted in force action for each of the last four calendar years, including 2016.

Answer: - Please refer to the table below under 2c)

c)The number of firearm crime offences reported to the force that were solved for each of the last four calendar years, including 2016.

Outcome	Year				Total
	2013	2014	2015	2016	
1: Charged	34	27	30	40	131
1: Summoned/postal requisition	1	2	0	0	3
10: Police - formal action not in public interest	0	0	5	3	8
14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender	0	2	3	5	10
15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	0	0	0	1	1
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	0	6	15	19	40
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	1	31	30	48	110
1A: Alternate offence charged	0	0	0	4	4
2: Youth caution	0	0	3	0	3
2A: Alternate offence youth caution	0	0	0	1	1
3: Adult caution	2	1	1	0	4
5: Offender has died	1	0	0	0	1
8: Community resolution	10	7	12	9	38
9: CPS - prosecution not in public interest	0	2	3	2	7
Cancelled/transferred	0	0	0	1	1
Hist - Resolved - 15.0 Suspect NFA evi diff	2	10	13	21	46
UU unresolved	58	2	0	1	61
Grand Total	109	90	115	155	469

** Data provided is from 1st January 2013 - 31st December 2016

*** Data has been extracted from our Crimsec 30 Gun Crime Return for the Home Office

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 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
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NG5 8PP

or alternatively 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