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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 30/08/2017.

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:-

I am hereby making a request under the Freedom of Information Act of 2000 for the following information: How many hate crimes have been reported against LGBT+ people in your area since 24 June 2016 both as a base figure and a percentage of total hate crimes? Furthermore, how does this compare to the numbers over the previous 5 years?

Under the Freedom of Information Act I am entitled to this information and do not believe it falls within the scope of the defence category of exempt information. The Freedom of Information Act entitles me to a response from your organization within twenty days. I thank you in advance for your cooperation and response.



Answer: -

Hate Crimes recorded from 24th June 2016 - 31st August 2017 inclusive

Hate Strand	2016	2017	Total	Percentage
Sexual Orientation	103	118	221	12.22%
Transgender	8	13	21	1.16%
Other Hate Crime Strands	717	849	1566	86.62%
Total	828	980	1808	100.00%

Hate Crimes recorded in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017

Hate Strand	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Sexual Orientation	49	61	73	83	146	118
Transgender	0	0	3	5	10	13
Other Hate Crime Strands	569	639	744	884	1056	849
Total	618	700	820	972	1212	980

* Data provided is taken from our Hate Crime Query, which we use to complete our Hate Crime Return for the Home Office.

** Please be aware that data provided is the number of Crimes per Hate Strand. One Crime can fit into more than one Hate Strand i.e. Race and Faith. Therefore there could be some duplication.

*** Sexual Orientation Strand covers LGB victims; we have a separate Hate Strand for Transgender

**** Date Period - 24/06/2016 to 31/12/2016

***** Date Period - 01/01/2017 to 31/08/2017

***** Other Hate Crime Strands consists of Race, Faith and Disability

Please Note-: This data has been extracted from a live system and may be subject to change

Source-: Performance and Insight 13.09.2017

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