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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 26/01/2015.

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

Please find below answers to your questions:-

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.

Do you have a dedicated Restorative Justice Team or contact?

Nottinghamshire Police do not have a Restorative Justice Team but the contact for the Force is PS 2187 Barton-Moran.

In the year 2013-2014, how many crimes were recorded by your force?

Total No. of Crimes recorded in 2013/14 - 68,517

In the year 2013-2014, for how many total crimes was Restorative Justice used at any point of proceedings e.g. immediately after the offence, after the court case, etc. (including those used as an out of court disposal)?

Total No. of above crime which involved a Community Resolution - 3,866

In the year 2013-2014, how many crimes were resolved through a Restorative Justice out-of-court disposal?

Total No. of the above where the Outcome was Community Resolution - 3,866

In the year 2013-2014, what offences were Restorative Justice utilised for (please list e.g. Assault occasioning ABH, Sexual Assault by Touching, Grievous Bodily Harm)

Total number of Offences recorded in 2013-14 and number of these where the Outcome was Community Resolution

List of Offences where a Community Resolution was given

Home Office Offence Group	No. of Crimes
Criminal Damage and Arson	624
Drug Offences	45
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	16
Possession of Weapons Offences	14
Public Order Offences	126
Robbery	2
Sexual Offences	6
Theft Offences	1705
Violence against the Person *	1328
Total	3866

* Violence against the Person includes crimes with/without injury

Please Note-: This data has been extracted from a live system and may be subject to change
Source-: Performance and Insight 16.02.2015

In the year 2013-2014, how many offenders who had received Restorative Justice went on to reoffend?

This information is not recorded in an easily retrievable format. Nottinghamshire Police do not routinely record such information. To locate, retrieve and extract the requested information requires a manual search of all records held in relation to Restorative Justice for the requested period in order to ascertain if any recipients of RJ were repeat offenders. As above the search revealed a total of 3866 records over a 1 year period.

We estimate that it would take approximately two minutes per record to search should it be stated on the form however the names would then need to be extracted into a working sheet in order to identify any duplicates in relation to your question. At the most conservative we estimate this would take approximately 3 minutes per record in total which would equate to approximately 193 working hours (for 1 years' worth of records). This takes the request over the cost threshold of 18 working hours and engages Section 12 (1) of the Act.

This letter constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17(5) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 with Section 12(1) of the act being applied

12. – (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

Should you wish for the Force to continue with your request, a more accurate figure will be provided within a fee's notice. The cost will need to be paid by you, prior to any further investigation. Please advise if you wish to proceed.

Alternatively you are invited to refine your request to bring it within the cost threshold, however due to the large numbers I am unable to suggest a refinement that would do so.

In accordance with the Act, once one part of the request is excess cost the whole request exceeds the cost threshold. However in the spirit of the Act, but outside of it, please find the responses to the questions which we were able to retrieve.

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
Notts
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