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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 29/07/2014.

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.

1) How many reported rapes have been marked as 'no crime' over the last five years, with a breakdown for each year.

Number of Rape Offences which were No-Crimed by year

Year	No. of Rape Offences NO CRIMED
2009	55
2010	54
2011	60
2012	30
2013	26
2014	14
Total	239

2) The reasons why these cases were dropped, and a breakdown of how many were dropped for each reason.

Number of NO CRIMED Rape Offences by reason for NO CRIME

Reason for No Crime	Year						Total
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 *	
Victim asked for no further investigation to take place	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Crime recorded in error	1	0	0	0	1	2	4
Crime to be re-classified because this is not a rape	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Victim does not wish to proceed	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Duplicate Crime recorded in error	8	7	7	4	2	4	32
False allegation	12	19	12	5	5	1	54
Linked to another crime reference number	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
Offence of Rape has not actually taken Place	27	23	31	17	16	6	120
Offence re-classified	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Outside Jurisdiction of this Police Force	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Recorded in error	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Victim refused to co-operated	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Victim moved and left no forwarding address	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
By the application of the principle crime rule the force taking first report of the Incidents is not Nottinghamshire.	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Victim retract complaint	3	4	5	3	1	0	16
Total	55	54	60	30	26	14	239

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;
- Are still waiting for a response and are unhappy with the delay.

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 Officer 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