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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 04/12/2014.

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.

This Freedom of Information request refers to the Sexual Offences Act 1956 and the offence of `Intercourse with a Girl between thirteen and sixteen - (contrary to s.6) and indecent assault on a female (contrary to s.14).

CLARIFICATION RECEIVED

Under the FOI act I would like to request the number of complaints for `22B Sexual Activity Involving a Child Under 16', where records identify that the alleged victim was female and the alleged offence included full sexual intercourse.

I request the number of these complaints reported to police since 1 January 2005, but for which the alleged offence took place in 2003 or earlier. I request that the response states the number of these reports



which eventually led to someone being charged. Please state the outcome for each eg. NFA.

If upon initial inspection it is clear this request will exceed the costs time limit I suggest the scope of the request could be shrunk to include only the number of these complaints reported to police in the last three years, but for which the alleged offence took place in 2003 or earlier.

Nottinghamshire Police have 12 complaints recorded as reported to them since 1 January 2005, but for which the alleged offence took place in 2003 or earlier.*

Two of these reports led to individuals being charged. One the outcome was guilty and the other not guilty.

* Data provided is for Offences of '22B Sexual Activity Involving a Child Under 16' where the HO Classification is recorded as 'Penetration' of a 'Female'. Offences included are where the '**Reported Date**' is greater than or equal to 01/01/2005, and either the '**offence from**' or '**offence to**' date is less than, or equal to, 31/12/2003. The data or excludes those offences that have subsequently been 'No Crimed'.

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

Source-: Performance and Insight 12-01-2015

Nottinghamshire Police can neither confirm nor deny that it holds any other information with regard to an exempt body as the duty in Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply by virtue of the following exemption:

Section 23(5) Information Supplied by, or concerning, certain Security Bodies

Section 23 and 40 are class based absolute exemptions and there is no requirement to consider the public interest in their case.

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