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**Freedom of Information Request Reference N<sup>o</sup>: FOI 000169/19**

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk Constabulary on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 In relation to the Child Sex Offender Disclosure Scheme, otherwise known as "Sarah's Law", how many requests has your force received asking if someone who has sufficient access to children has a sex offender's record in the 2018 calendar year?
- 2 (i) In how many of these requests did the subject have a sex offender's record AND you disclosed the conviction to an interested party? (ii) Of these positive returns how many of the individuals were registered sex offenders.
- 3 (i) In how many of these requests did the subject have a sex offender's record AND you did NOT disclose the conviction to an interested party? (ii) In how many of these cases was the subject a registered sex offender.
- 4 Of the first ten cases from 1.3.2018 onwards where you disclosed an offender's record please state the main/primary offence that caused concern?

**Response to your Request**

The response provided below is correct as of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Norfolk Constabulary has located the following information as relevant to your request.

Q1 70 applications were received in 2018.

Q2 Of the above, the Public Protection Unit made 27 disclosures. 16 of those had been convicted of sexual offences. 13 were Registered Sex Offenders (RSO) and 3 were archived RSOs.

Of the 11 disclosures for subjects who were not RSOs (or archived), two had convictions for sexual offences and two were under investigation in relation to sexual offences.

Q3 There were 7 requests where the subject had a record of sexual offences (not necessarily convictions) and a no disclosure decision was made.

Q4 Please see below list of offences:-

- Intercourse with 14 year old female
- Offender under 18 engage in penetrative sexual activity with a girl 13 to 15
- Intercourse with girl under 16
- Offender 18 or over engage in non-penetrative sexual activity with girl 13 to 15
- Sexual activity with a child under 13
- Indecent assault on female under 16
- Cause/incite female child under 16 to engage in sexual activity by penetration, offender 18 or over
- Engage in sexual activity in presence of child under 13
- Sexual Assault of female child under 13
- Sexual assault on female no penetration