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Dear

Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 001773/16

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 26th April 2016 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 How many animals have been reported as stolen to your force over the last three years?
(I.e. reported thefts where animals were the goods reported stolen).

Please break down by: 2013, 2014, and 2015.

- 2 For each year, please break the reported thefts down by animal and if possible/applicable, the breed.
- 3 I would be grateful if you could also state whether the animal was recovered, and if anyone was charged/faced further action.

For clarity on the information I am looking for, please see:

<http://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/stolen-pigeon-animal-thefts-manchester-11198122>

Norfolk Constabulary holds information relevant to your request.

Response to your Request

Norfolk Constabulary has located the following information as relevant to your request.

The Joint Performance and Analysis Department has undertaken research of the Constabulary's crime systems where the property type stolen is 'Animal'.

Q1

Year	Number of Crimes
2013	91
2014	143
2015	131

Q2 Of the above number of crimes, the following numbers of animals have been stolen:-

2013	
Animal Type	Count
Dog	34
Chicken	271
Geese	3
Pigs	300
Pheasant	2,500
Sheep	12
Tortoise	1
Partridge	501
Goats	3
Fish	19
Ferret	16
Rabbit	2
Pigeons	30
Turkeys	18
Total	3,710

Additionally there were 2 crimes of theft of chickens and of fish where no quantity was given.

2014	
Animal Type	Count
Guinea Pig	2
Dog	37
Chicken	595
Fish	73
Cat	7
Pigs	69
Canary	1
Finches	47
Ferret	2
Canaries	2
Doves	2
Quails	2
Rabbit	19
Geese	6
Guinea Fowl	5
Sheep	11
Owl	2
Duck	37
Pheasants	1,100

Partridges	300
Turkey	2
Redtail (Bird of Prey)	1
Horse	1
Snake	2
Goat	1
Cow	8
Budgies	4
Total	2,338

Additionally there were 3 crimes of theft of fish where the quantities were given as 1) between 40-50, 2) between 10-12 and 3) 10-15. Also one theft of turkeys where no quantity was recorded.

2015	
Animal Type	Count
Fish	88
Cat	5
Chicken	140
Exotic Bird	1
Sheep	46
Dog	61
Cat	4
Cow	3
Duck	17
Tortoise	4
Horse	2
Pigs	169
Rabbit	3
Pheasant	630
Owl	1
Cockatiel	5
Bird (caged breeds)	10
Budgies	6
Doves	16
Guinea Pigs	27
Partridge	217
Pigeons	3
Total	1,458

Additionally there were 4 crimes of theft of animals. 1) Between 50-60 chickens, 2) chickens (no number), 3) 30-40 canaries and 4) 50-150 mixed fowl.

The following tables the number of crimes showing as animals recovered and the number of animals.

2013		
Animal Type	Count of Crimes	Count of Animals
Turkey	1	12
Dog	1	1

2014		
Animal Type	Count of Crimes	Count of Animals
Dog	4	4
Rabbit	1	1
Pig	1	30

2015		
Animal Type	Count of Crimes	Count of Animals
Dog	9	9
Cat	1	1

Q3 Please see below outcomes:-

2013	
Outcome	Count of Crime
Not Detected	74
Charged/Summons	3
Youth Caution	1
Caution-Adults	1
Restorative/Youth Restorative Disposal	1
No Suspect. Crime investigated. Case closed pending	11
Total	91

2014	
Outcome	Count of Crime
Not Detected	15
Charged/Summons	2
Caution-Adults	2
Restorative/Youth Restorative Disposal	1
Suspect is below age of criminal responsibility	1
Victim supports but evidential difficulties prevent	10
Suspect ID. Victim does not support (or has withdrawn)	4
No Suspect. Crime investigated. Case closed pending	108
Total	143

2015	
Outcome	Count of Crime
Charged/Summons	8
Restorative/Youth Restorative Disposal	1

Extended Professional Judgement	2
Not in the Public Interest (CPS) (all offences)	1
Not in the Public Interest (Police)	1
Victim supports but evidential difficulties prevent	4
Suspect ID. Victim does not support (or has withdrawn)	8
No Suspect. Crime Investigated. Case closed pending	83
Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available	22
Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action	1
Total	131