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Dear

**Freedom of Information Request Reference N<sup>o</sup>: FOI 001818/16**

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 27<sup>th</sup> April 2016 in which you sought access to the following information:

I would like details on the number of defendants prosecuted for sending malicious communications between 2010 and 2015, preferably broken down by year.

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 recorded crimes. The first table provides the number of crimes, by outcome, from the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 to 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015. A new crime recording system was introduced from 20<sup>th</sup> October. The results from this system have been provided in the second table. No relevant data is held prior to April 2015.

1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 to 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Count of Crime</b>
01. Charged/Summons	47
02. Caution-Youths	7
03. Caution-Adults	21
06. Penalty Notices for Disorder	2
08.1. Restorative / Youth Restorative Disposal	7
08.2. Extended Professional Judgement	17
09. Not in the Public Interest (CPS) (all offences)	1
10. Not in the Public Interest (Police)	31
12. Suspect is too ill to prosecute	1
14. No Suspect. Victim declines/unable to support	31
15. Victim supports but evidential difficulties prevent	72
16. Suspect ID. Victim does not support (or has withdrawn)	152
17. Suspect identified but time limit has expired.	1

18. No Suspect. Crime investigated. Case closed pending	92
Not Recorded	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>495</b>

20<sup>th</sup> October 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Number of Investigations</b>
Not Recorded	13
Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition	9
Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)	11
Type 14 - Evidential Difficulties Victim Based-Named Suspect Not Identified: Crime Confirmed But The Victim Either Declines Or Unable To Support Further Police Investigation To Identify The Offender	7
Type 15 - Named Suspect Identified: Victim Supports Police Action But Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action	13
Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action	31
Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available	38
Type 20 - Further action resulting from the crime report will be undertaken by another body or agency subject to the victim (or person acting on their behalf) being made aware of the act to be taken	2
Type 3 - Caution Adult	3
Type 6 - Penalty notice for disorder	1
Type 8 - Community resolution (Crime)	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>136</b>