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Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002255/20

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk Constabulary on the 2nd July 2020 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 The total number of offences recorded in which the Class A controlled drug psilocybin, also known as 'magic mushrooms', was named;
- 2 The number of offences recorded in which psilocybin or Class A mushrooms was the only controlled drug named;
- 3 The breakdown of how many of the recorded offences resulted in:
 - A A caution or reprimand but not arrest;
 - B Arrest, where the case was not passed to the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS);
 - C Arrest, where the case was passed to the CPS.

I would be grateful if annual data was provided to cover the years 2015 - 2020.

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 14th July 2020.

Norfolk Constabulary has considered your request and our response is below.

The following information refers to Drug Offences only and where the report refers specifically to either 'mushrooms', 'magic mushrooms' or 'psilcybin'. There may be other offence categories which refer to one of the keywords but these will not be included in the below which are for drug offences only.

Additionally, where there are crime reports which refer to the class of drug, but do not include either 'magic mushrooms' or 'psilcybin', these too will not be included in the figures below.

Q1

Year	Number of Crimes
2015	1
2016	3
2017	6
2018	4
2019	3
Total	17

Q2 Of the above, there were 9 crimes where Psilcybin/magic mushrooms was the only controlled drug named.

Q3

Outcome	Number	Number Arrested
Type 3 - Caution Adult	5	1

Each case has been reviewed and I can confirm that, of the 17 cases, 9 individuals were arrested. 1 of these were referred to the CPS.