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Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 000232/17

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 11th January 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

I request information on the number of reported sex crimes carried out by children (under 16) over the last five years (2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 if the stats are available)

I also wish to know how many of those reports were of crimes carried out by children under 10 years of age in each year.

For example:

2011

Total reports of sex crime carried out by under-16s : 50

Reports of sex crime carried out by under-10s: 17

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 Constabulary has undertaken research of recorded crimes where the date of birth of a named offender or suspect, would make them aged under 16 at the time of offence.

In 2011, this has returned 5 sexual offence crimes where the suspect is aged under 10 and 74 crimes for 10 to 15 year olds.

Figures for 2012 onwards have recently been previously released under the Freedom of Information Act. A copy of that response (FOI 004424) is attached.

Under Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act (2000), public authorities are not required to provide information that is reasonably accessible to the public by other means, therefore in accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000), this serves as a Refusal Notice for your request.

This response will be published on the Norfolk Constabulary's web-site under the Freedom of Information pages:-

<https://www.norfolk.police.uk/about-us/our-data/disclosure-log>

Should you have any further queries concerning this request, please contact me quoting the reference number shown above.