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Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 002792/17

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 9th February 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 The number of Arrests you made under the Vagrancy Act 1824 in 2016, and the offences these arrests were for.
- 2 The number of convictions under the act for the same time period, again by offence.
- 3 The number of arrests and convictions for 2015.

Norfolk Constabulary holds information relevant to your request.

Response to your Request

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

Research has been undertaken of arrest records for offences under the Vagrancy Act. The information provided below may include where the suspect has also been arrested for additional offences.

The Constabulary does not hold statistical information regarding court outcomes. We have therefore provided you with custody disposals.

| Arrests and custody disposals for offences under the Vagrancy Act 1824 in 2016 | | | | |
|--|---------------|--------|----------------------|-------------|
| Offence | Adult Caution | Charge | Refused Charge (NFA) | Grand Total |
| Begging | 0 | 14 | 0 | 14 |
| Begging - Persistent | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Found on enclosed Premises | 1 | 2 | 8 | 11 |
| Grand Total | 1 | 17 | 8 | 26 |

| Arrests and custody disposals for offences under the Vagrancy Act 1824 in 2015 | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|-------------------|-------------|
| Offence | Charged | Caution | No Further Action | Grand Total |
| Begging | 10 | 2 | 1 | 13 |
| Found on enclosed premises | 5 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| Grand Total | 15 | 4 | 5 | 24 |