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Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 000350/20

I write in connection with your request for information received by Norfolk Constabulary on the 23rd January 2020 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 Please state the number of cases of violence against a person involving a "sharp or bladed instrument" that contain the following keywords
 - A Tinder
 - B Snapchat
 - C Instagram

Please identify these by conducting a free text search of your crime database, and provide information for each of the last five financial years, and the current financial year to 22.01.20.

- 2 Please provide a breakdown of the specific type of offences recorded that included these keywords, for each individual keyword
- 3 Please provide an anonymised copy of free text report for each incident recorded.

Response to your Request

The response provided below is correct as of 28th January 2020. Norfolk Constabulary has considered your request and our response is below.

Research has been undertaken of recorded crimes relating to violence offences, where the method used is 'knife' and one of the following keywords is contained within the freetext:

- 'Tinder'
- 'Snapchat'
- 'Instagram'

Based on this research, no relevant crimes have been returned for 2015/16, 2016/17 or 2017/18.

With regard to the remaining years, please see below:

Financial Year	Keyword	Offence	Method Used	Freetext
2018/19	Instagram & Snapchat	Harassment - without violence (course of conduct)	Knife	Conversations have been phone calls, snapchat messages, facetime calls, and Facebook messages. No threats have been made to xxx and the pictures mentioned involving knives belong to an Instagram profile
2019/20	Snapchat	Sending letters etc with intent to cause distress or anxiety, Malicious Communications Act 1988	Knife	Victim has received a snap chat message from suspect. During this video the suspect was in possession of a kitchen knife.