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Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 003978/17

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 2nd March 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 How many female police officers were assaulted in Norfolk in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.
- 2 In relation to question 1, how many of these were in West Norfolk.
- 3 How many days were lost to sickness as a result of a female police officer being assaulted in each of the above years.

If the above will cost too much time and money to answer, please could you provide information of 2015 and 2016.

Norfolk Constabulary holds information relevant to your request.

Response to your Request

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

- Q1 In accordance with the Constabulary's Health and Safety arrangements, and to ensure legislative compliance, all officers and police staff are required to report accidents, incidents and near misses using an internal reporting form. The type of accident, injury etc. is categorised; the following is the recorded data health by the Health and Safety Team from received reports:

Calendar Year	Number of reported incidents
2012	18
2013	31
2014	25
2015	27
2016	23

Please note: The figures do not include PCSO's or members of the Special Constabulary.

- Q2 The information provided below relates to female officers who were physically assaulted in the area of West Norfolk.

Calendar Year	Number of reported incidents
2012	2
2013	5
2014	3

2015	2
2016	6

Q3 The following information has been taken from records held by the Human Resources Department. It is based on sickness absence relating to injuries on duty and assaults. Please note, the information will not directly correlate to Health and Safety records as the absence may relate to an injury or assault that has occurred outside of the time periods requested. It is also possible that, for example, musculoskeletal problems have resulted in an absence by an officer but it has not been identified on Constabulary systems that it is as a result of an injury or assault.

Calendar Year	Absence Hours
2012	547
2013	699
2014	25
2015	58
2016	321