



December 2016

**Freedom of Information Request Reference N<sup>o</sup>: FOI 004070/16**

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 How many cautions, including conditional, for all crimes were issued by your force in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015?
- 2 How many cautions, including conditional, for all sexual offences were issued by your force in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015?
- 3 How many cautions, including conditional, for rape were issued by your force in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 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.

There is clear guidance for police when dealing with criminal cases, with decision making processes focusing on the victim, circumstances, type of offence and how serious it is. The offender's history will be assessed along with the views of and the impact on communities. Consideration will be given to any local, regional and national guidance and direction. In some cases the Constabulary will consult with partners such as the Youth Offending Team or Crown Prosecution Service in order to achieve the most appropriate outcome for the circumstances.

Q1

Year	Total number of Cautions Issued
2011	7,156
2012	7,736
2013	8,994
2014	10,530
2015	8,047
Grand Total	42,463

Q2

Year	Total number of Cautions Issued – Sexual Offences
2011	26
2012	27
2013	39

2014	23
2015	32
Grand Total	147

Q3

Year	Total number of Cautions Issued – Rape
2011	-
2012	2
2013	2
2014	2
2015	-
Grand Total	6