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Freedom of Information Request Reference N^o: FOI 004499/16

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 13th December 2016 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 The number of incidents where children have been reported to the police for making indecent images of themselves (e.g. "sexting") during the past two full financial years (i.e. 2014-15 and 2015-16).
- 2 The outcome of these incidents, e.g. no further action, formal warning, charges brought.
- 3 I would like this information broken down by year.

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 Joint Performance and Analysis Department has undertaken research of recorded crimes of 'take or to make or to distribute indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs of children'. They have identified crimes where the suspects and offenders were aged under 18 at the time of the offence. This has resulted in 255 recorded crimes. Each of these have been manually reviewed to see if they meet the criteria of your request of self-generated images.

Please see below results by outcome. A new crime system has been in use since October 2015 and a separate table has been provided for information from 20th October 2015 to 31st March 2016.

Offences between 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015	Number of crimes
02. Caution-Youths	2
08.1. Restorative / Youth Restorative Disposal	6
08.2. Extended Professional Judgement	1
10. Not in the Public Interest (Police)	58
15. Victim supports but evidential difficulties prevent	2
16. Suspect ID. Victim does not support (or has withdrawn)	2
18. No Suspect. Crime investigated. Case closed pending	1
Grand Total	72

Offences between 1st April 2015 to 19th October 2015	Number of crimes
02. Caution-Youths	12
08.1. Restorative / Youth Restorative Disposal	2
08.2. Extended Professional Judgement	1
10. Not in the Public Interest (Police)	63
15. Victim supports but evidential difficulties prevent	2
16. Suspect ID. Victim does not support (or has withdrawn)	1
21. Evidence supports formal action - not in Public Interest - police decision	2
Not recorded	2
Grand Total	85

Offences between 20th October 2015 to 31st March 2016	Number of crimes
Type 1 - Charged/Summoned/Postal Requisition	2
Type 10 - Formal Action Against Offender is not in the Public Interest (Police)	27
Type 16 - Named Suspect Identified: Evidential Difficulties Prevent Further Action: Victim Does Not Support (Or Has Withdrawn Support From) Police Action	5
Type 18 - Investigation Complete; No Suspect Identified. Crime Investigated As Far As Reasonably Possible-Case Closed Pending Further Investigative Opportunities Becoming Available	5
Type 2 - Caution Youth	1
Type 21 No Further Action Police Decision	13
Type 8 - Community resolution (Crime)	1
Type 9 - Prosecution Not In the Public Interest (CPS)	1
Not Recorded	6
Grand Total	61