

24th August 2020

Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20201731

REQUEST

Could I request data on dog thefts in the area please?

How many reported dog thefts have there been in the last three years?

How many arrests have been made in connection with dog thefts in the county?

Could you break the data down month by month please

RESPONSE

I approached our Crime Management Data Returns Administrator for assistance with your request. The CMS system and Connect System is used to record complaints or allegations of those matters, which the Home Office specify should be recorded as 'crimes'.

She provided me with the enclosed spreadsheet and the following explanation of her search criteria:

Connect

I have included a count of offences recorded for CONNECT Crime between 04-Dec-2017 and 31-Jul-2020 where the Property Status is Stolen or Stolen\Recovered and Property Class 3 is Dog. Of the offence count, I have included a breakdown of the offence outcome.

Please note – Offences are recorded in accordance with the Home Office Counting Rules – General Rules - ***The Principal Crime Rule (1 of 1) - IF THE SEQUENCE OF CRIMES IN AN INCIDENT, OR A COMPLEX CRIME, CONTAINS MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF CRIME, THEN COUNT THE MOST SERIOUS***

CMS(II) Data –

Given the present situation, I am currently working from home and cannot access the software needed to extract data from CMS(ii), however I will provide this as soon as I am able to do so, but I cannot currently provide data for dates prior to 04-Dec-2017.