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Reply contact name:

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 22nd January 2024 regarding incest statistics.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by business intelligence at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote (and our response):

Could I please ask you under the Freedom of Information Act to write and confirm, in your area :

1) How many charges have been made for people committing incest every year for the last 10 years?

2023 – 0
2022 – 2
2021 – 0
2020 – 1
2019 – 4
2018 – 1
2017 – 0
2016 – 0
2015 – 0
2014 – 0
2013 – 3

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Total – 11

2) How many instances were consensual involving two adults, their ages and sexuality?

There were 3 instances of consensual incest involving two adults over the past ten years. Aged 30, 58, 19, 41, 20 and 44. All heterosexual.

3) How many instances resulted in prosecution and sentencing and what those sentences were?

Wiltshire Police do not hold information relating to prosecutions and sentencing. Under our section 16 duty to provide advice and assistance, we would advise you to contact the Courts directly for this information.

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and been considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely

Force Disclosure Decision Maker