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Date:

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Reply contact name:

Dear XXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 21st December regarding crimes committed by under 10-year-olds.

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:

How many crimes have been committed by under 10-year-olds in your police force in the following years:

2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Can you also please detail what the most common type of crime was committed by those under 10 years of age?

Our response:

2018: 49

2019: 52

2020: 43

2021: 51

2022: 33

2023: 23 (up to 20/12/2023)

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The most common crime type committed by children under the age of 10 years is common assault and assault without injury.

Please note that a crime can have more than one suspect, and a child under the age of 10 years is below the age of criminal responsibility, however a crime is recorded.

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