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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/03350

I write in connection with your request for information received on 20th June. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1) How many allegations of rape or sexual assault have been reported by or about people staying at the YMCA at the time?
- 2) How many times have police been called to attend the YMCA, and in connection to what offences?
- 3) How many arrests have been made on suspicion of each of these types of offence of people staying at the YMCA, and how many resulted in a charge; and how many charges resulted in convictions?
- 4) In each case, what was the gender of the complainants?

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

Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below.

Response – Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.

Year	Offence	District/Borough	Victim Gender	Arrest	Outcome
2015	Sexual Assault On a Female	Welwyn Hatfield	Female	Yes	Charged/Summoned
2017	Sexual Assault On a Female	Welwyn Hatfield	Female	No	Named Suspect Victim Unsupportive
2017	Sexual Assault On a Female	Welwyn Hatfield	Female	Yes	Named Suspect Victim Unsupportive

There have been 549 incidents mentioning the phrase YMCA in Hertfordshire over the last 12 months. Not all these had the primary location as YMCA premises and it is not ascertainable whether or not Police attended these addresses without manual investigation. If an individual mentioned in an incident with the primary location elsewhere, the Police may still have had cause to attend the YMCA.

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Hertfordshire Constabulary provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Hertfordshire Constabulary if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.