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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/02825**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 23rd May. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Could you please disclose how many incidents have been reported to your force involving the words 'Tinder' and/or 'Grindr' and, separated, "Facebook" in the last three full calendar year?**

**Please disclose:**

- 1) The nature and details of the incident**
- 2) The location**
- 3) If it was classed as a crime**
- 4) What the outcome was (NFA, Out of court disposal, charged etc)**

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 tables detailing the information you have requested. The information has been provided in separate tables to ensure that an individual cannot be identified, if the data was not presented in this way it would be exempt under Section 40 – Personal Information.

**Incidents where log contains words; 'Facebook', 'Grindr' or 'Tinder'**

Year	Facebook	Grindr	Tinder	Grand Total
2015/16	4507	8	8	4523
2016/17	5326	11	29	5366
2017/18	6184	11	57	6252
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>16017</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>16141</b>

**Crimes – where MO text contains 'Facebook', 'Grindr' or 'Tinder'**

Year	Facebook	Grindr	Tinder	Grand Total
2015/16	545	3	4	558
2016/17	781	0	2	811
2017/18	620	0	5	846
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1946</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1957</b>

**Crimes – with outcomes where MO text contains word 'Facebook'**

Outcome	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Grand Total

ALTERNATE OFFENCE CAUTION - ADULTS	-	8	1	9
ALTERNATE OFFENCE CHARGED/SUMMONSED	-	9	5	14
CAUTION – ADULTS	37	33	18	88
CAUTION – YOUTHS	3	2	-	5
CHARGED/SUMMONSED	83	68	40	191
COMMUNITY RESOLUTION	9	13	8	30
FURTHER INV NOT IN PUBLIC INTEREST POL	2	1	4	7
INVESTIGATION COMPLETE NO SUSPECT	103	172	101	376
NAMED SUSPECT EVIDENTIAL DIFFICULTIES	112	125	71	308
NAMED SUSPECT VICTIM UNSUPPORTIVE	158	274	294	726
OTHER AGENCY DELEGATION	3	2	4	9
PENALTY NOTICES FOR DISORDER	5	6	2	13
PROSECUTION NOT IN PUBLIC INTEREST POL	-	2	1	3
PROSECUTION PREVENT OFFENDER TOO ILL	-	-	1	1
PROSECUTION TIME LIMIT EXPIRED	1	5	5	11
SUSPECT NOT ID VICTIM UNSUPPORTIVE	29	61	65	155
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>1946</b>

**Crimes – with outcomes where MO text contains word ‘Grindr’**

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>2015/16</b>	<b>2016/17</b>	<b>2017/18</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
INVESTIGATION COMPLETE NO SUSPECT	2	-	-	2
SUSPECT NOT ID VICTIM UNSUPPORTIVE	1	-	-	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

**Crimes – with outcomes where MO text contains word ‘Tinder’**

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>2015/16</b>	<b>2016/17</b>	<b>2017/18</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
CAUTION – ADULTS	1	-	-	1
INVESTIGATION COMPLETE NO SUSPECT	1	1	1	3
NAMED SUSPECT VICTIM UNSUPPORTIVE	2	-	-	2
SUSPECT NOT ID VICTIM UNSUPPORTIVE		1	1	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>

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.