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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/05612**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 4th October. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Please see below Freedom of Information request:**

- 1. How many disability hate crimes have been recorded by your police force for the last two financial years – 2016/17 and 2017/18?**
- 2. Please provide a breakdown of recorded disability hate crime for each year by offence category (ie public order offences/violence against the person)**
- 3. How many incidents of hate crime were recorded as taking place online?**

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**

**Q1 – Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.**

Financial Year	No. of Disability Hate Crimes
2016/17	167
2017/18	215

**Q2 – Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.**

Crime Group	2016/17	2017/18
Burglary Residential	6	5
Criminal Damage	11	14
Other Burglary Other Than In A Dwelling	1	0
Other Notifiable Offences	1	0
Other Sexual Offences	0	1
Public Fear Alarm or Distress	41	46
Racially and Religiously Aggravated Offences	1	1
Robbery	2	5
Serious Sexual Offences	11	19
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1	1
Theft From Person	4	3
Theft From Shop	1	1
Theft If Not Classified Elsewhere	15	16
Theft of Motor Vehicle	0	1
Violence Against Person (Victim Based)	72	102

**Q3**

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

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Online</b>	<b>Not Online</b>
2016/17	10	157
2017/18	5	210

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

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Online</b>	<b>Not Online</b>
2016/17	15	152
2017/18	11	204

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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