



Our Ref: 0115.2026-27

Date: 03 June 2026

Civil Disclosure  
Evolve Legal Services

Dear Applicant,

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 0115.2026-27**

I write in connection with your request for information which was received by North Yorkshire Police on 09 May 2026. I note you seek access to the following information:

*Please provide the following information for the calendar year 2025, from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.*

*If full-year 2025 data is not yet available, please provide the latest available 2025 data and state the date range covered.*

*For sexual offences where an individual was charged, summonsed, postal requisitioned, or otherwise proceeded against, please provide:*

*Q1. The total number of cases/offences/proceedings recorded.*

*Q2. A breakdown by nationality as recorded by the force.*

*Q3. A summary breakdown showing:*

- a. British national;*
- b. foreign national;*
- c. unknown / not recorded / refused.*

*Q4. Where held, a breakdown by detailed offence type or Home Office offence classification.*

*A short explanation of the counting basis used, for example whether the figures count individuals, arrests, offences, custody records, charges, proceedings, or another category.*

*Where any nationality has fewer than 5 results, please suppress the exact figure and mark it as "<5".*

**Extent and Result of Searches to Locate Information**

Xanthe Tait, Director of Evolve Legal Services  
Police Headquarters | Alverton Court | Crosby Road | Northallerton | North Yorkshire | DL6 1BF  
DX No 68810 NORTHALLERTON 2 | Telephone 01609 643542 | Fax 01609 789987



To locate the information relevant to your request searches were conducted within North Yorkshire Police.

I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by North Yorkshire Police.

### Decision

I have today decided to disclose the following information to you.

Q1 & Q2. Please see the table below showing the number of sexual offence crimes recorded between 01 January 2025 and 31 December 2025 that had a positive crime outcome and an offender linked, broken down by citizenship.

Citizenship	Count
Egypt	<5
England	16
Fiji	<5
Iran, Islamic republic of	<5
Moldova, Republic of	<5
Not Recorded	4
Pakistan	<5
Poland	<5
Portugal	<5
Romania	<5
Sudan	<5
UK	131
UK;Nepal	<5
Zimbabwe	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>

Q3. The above broken down by the specified breakdown.

Nationality Breakdown	Count
British	148
Foreign National	14
Not Recorded	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>

Q4. The above broken down by home office description. For those figures below 5 I have replaced with <5 pursuant to Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act). Please see the exemption explanation below.

HO Description	Count
Additional Voyeurism Offences (upskirting)	<5
Arranging or facilitating the sexual exploitation of a child - Child 13 - 17	<5
Assault on a female by penetration	5
Assault on a female child under 13 by penetration	<5

Attempted rape of a female aged 16 or over	<5
Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act	5
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - Female child	5
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - Female child - no penetration	<5
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - Male child	<5
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - Male child - no penetration	<5
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Female child	<5
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Female child - no penetration - Offender under 18	<5
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Male child	<5
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Male child -no penetration	14
Causing or inciting the sexual exploitation of a child - Child 13-17	20
Causing or inciting the sexual exploitation of a child - Child under 13	<5
Engage in sexual communication with a child. Sexual offences Act 2003 Sec 15A (1) and (3).	7
Exposure	15
Paying for the sexual services of a child - Male child under 16	<5
Rape of a female aged 16 or over	21
Rape of a female aged under 16	<5
Rape of a female child under 13 by a male	<5
Send photograph or film of genitals to cause alarm distress or humiliation	<5
Sexual activity with a child under 16 - Female child	<5
Sexual assault on a female	30
Sexual assault on a female child under 13	<5
Sexual assault on a male	<5
Sexual assault on a male child under 13	<5
Sharing or threaten to share intimate photograph/film with intent to cause alarm distress or humiliation or for sexual gratification	<5
Voyeurism	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>

### **Exemption Explanation**

#### **Section 40 – Personal Information**

Where an individual can be identified by such data, releasing it would clearly breach the first data protection principle of being ‘fair’ to the data subject.

Section 17 of the Act requires North Yorkshire Police, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

Section 40(2) is an absolute class based exemption, which does not require a public interest test, but requires the balancing of the legitimate interests of the public against the interests of the individual under the first Data Protection Principle; in that processing of personal data must be lawful and fair (DPA 2018 35(1), EUGDPR Article 5(1)).

This exemption applies because the right given under the FOI Act to request official information held by public authorities does not apply to the personal data of third parties where disclosure of that information would not be fair to the individual, and where there is no legitimate public interest in disclosure.

In all the circumstances of the case it has been determined that the duty to the individual under the Data Protection Act 2018 & EU General Data Protection Regulations, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure of personal information held by the force in such instances, outweighs the public interest in disclosure. In this instance, personal information can only be disclosed to the individual concerned.

Releasing personal details to a person other than the data subject would not only breach the data subject's Data Protection rights it may also breach the obligations placed on an authority under the European Convention on Human Rights

Pursuant to Section 17(1) of the Act this letter acts as a refusal notice under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to your request.

Please note that systems used for recording information are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted therefore that this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other responses you may receive.

**Complaint Rights**

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet which details your right of complaint.

If you have any queries concerning this request, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Pattison  
Legal Officer (Civil Disclosure)  
Evolve Legal Services

## **COMPLAINT RIGHTS**

Are you unhappy with how your request has been handled or do you think the decision is incorrect?

You have the right to request that North Yorkshire Police review their decision.

Prior to lodging a formal complaint you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.

Ask to have the decision looked at again –

The quickest and easiest way to have the decision looked at again is to telephone the case officer that is nominated at the end of your decision letter.

That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.

### **Complaint**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision North Yorkshire Police made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) regarding access to information you can lodge a complaint with North Yorkshire Police to have the decision reviewed. North Yorkshire Police must be notified of your intention to complain within 2 months of the date of its response to your Freedom of Information request. Complaints should be made in writing and addressed to:

Xanthe Tait, Director of Evolve Legal Services  
North Yorkshire Police  
Alverton Court  
Crosby Road  
Northallerton  
North Yorkshire  
DL6 1BF

In all possible circumstances North Yorkshire Police will aim to respond to your complaint as soon as practicable but within 20 working days.

### **The Information Commissioner**

After lodging a complaint with North Yorkshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make application to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk> Alternatively, phone: 0303 123 1113 or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF