



## Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission

### Freedom of Information Act Request Response No. 04022017-1

#### Question

1. How many times in 2016 your respective police forces attended "illegal hunts using dogs"?
2. How many arrests, charges, cautions and prosecutions were made by your respective police forces? Could this information be sorted into pro hunt and anti hunt cases please?
3. How many complaints were made to your respective police forces alleging assault and intimidation and by whom (pro hunt/anti hunt)?
4. How many of the complaints from 3. above resulted in your police officers "refusing" to take the correct and appropriate action?
5. What is your official policy on policing "illegal hunts using dogs"?

#### Answer

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Office of the Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner.

The Office of the Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and Northamptonshire Police are two separate legal entities. Information regarding operational policing matters is the responsibility of Northamptonshire Police, therefore the OPCC does not hold any of the information you have requested. Northamptonshire Police's Information Unit may hold some of the information you are seeking. If you have not already done so, then you may wish to write to Ian Kelly, Freedom of Information and Data Protection Team Leader, Information Unit, Force Headquarters, Wootton Hall, Northampton, NN4 0JQ / [freedomofinformation@northants.police.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@northants.police.uk)

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Martin Scoble, Chief Executive, Office of the Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner, West Wing, Force Headquarters, Wootton Hall, Northampton, NN4 0JQ.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.