



Our Ref: 002761/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 29 September 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 16/08/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

1) How many incidents have been reported to your force of thefts being carried out in Churches or on church property from July 2020-to as close to present as possible?

a) If possible, please could you clarify how many of the thefts recorded relate to lead being taken from the church roof?

2) How many incidents have been reported to your force of vandalism being carried out on Churches / church property from July 2020 to as close to present as possible?

3) How many incidents have been reported to your force of physical/ violent assaults being carried out in Churches or on church property from July 2020 -to as close to present as possible?

Note: If it is the case that 'church' is not logged as a location, please do include search to contain log of 'religious building/s'.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

From the 1st July 2020 the following numbers of offences have been recorded with an Occurrence Location type of "Church / Religious Building" or "Churchyard".

Acquisitive Crime	- 43
Arson or Criminal Damage	- 35
Violence against a Person	- 20

Of the Acquisitive crimes; **2** specifically reference lead being taken from a roof within the Occurrence Summary (and an additional one references lead being taken without specifying where the lead was in the first place).

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