



**Our Ref:** 004083/23  
**Address Correspondence to:** Information Management  
**Date:** 07 November 2023

### Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 16/10/2023. I note you seek access to the following information:

*We would like to know the total number of people who were arrested under the Vagrancy Act 1824 during the full financial years 2022/23, 2021/22, 2020/21 and 2019/20. We would also like to know for the age groups 16 -17 and 18- 25: the reasons for arrest and the frequency of each of the reasons.*  
*Additionally, we would like to know the total number of people who were charged under the Vagrancy Act 1824 during the full financial years 2022/23, 2021/22, 2020/21 and 2019/20. We would also like to know for the age groups 16 -17 and 18- 25: the subject of charges and frequency of the each of the charges.*  
*We would like the responses to our requests to be age segmented.*

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: -**

| Arrested Under Vagrancy Act 1824 | Total Arrests | Aged 16 or 17 | Aged 18 to 25 | People Charged |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2019/20                          | 6             | 0             | 1             | 2              |
| 2020/21                          | 5             | 0             | 1             | 2              |
| 2021/22                          | 7             | 0             | 2             | 1              |
| 2022/23                          | 6             | 0             | 2             | 0              |

| Arrests                                                                | 2019/20  | 2020/21  | 2021/22  | 2022/23  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Begging in a public place (recordable)                                 | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| Begging in a public place - second or subsequent occasion (recordable) | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| Vagrant - being found in or upon enclosed premises (recordable)        | 0        | 0        | 2        | 2        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                           | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>2</b> |

| Charges                                                                | 2019/20  | 2020/21  | 2021/22  | 2022/23  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Begging in a public place - second or subsequent occasion (recordable) | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                           | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Corporate Services Department at the above address. If you decide to

request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely,

**Freedom of Information Officer**

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