

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUEST NUMBER: 2 - 2025

REQUEST DETAILS:

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

1. Are you using any adapted or neurodivergence-friendly practical tools/resources/assets/materials for neurodivergent individuals who are likely to come into contact with the Criminal Justice System (CJS).
2. Of the above, what is the intended audience for each adapted tool/resource/asset/material (e.g. directly for neurodivergent young adults (up to 25 years), directly for neurodivergent adults (25 years+), carers, parents, peers, professionals)?
3. Do you have separate practical tools/resources/assets/materials for victims and perpetrators?
4. What are these practical tools/resources/assets/materials called and are they publicly available?
5. How long have you been using these tools/resources/assets/materials within your service/PCC area?
6. If you are not using any adapted practical tools/resources/assets/materials, do you intend on implementing any in the future? If so – please provide details, if you can.
7. Please provide copies and/or links to any available tools/resources/assets/materials that you are using.

RESPONSE

1. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) for Suffolk does not produce adapted or neurodivergence-friendly materials for neurodivergent individuals who are likely to come into contact with the Criminal Justice System.

The OPCC is however aware of material being developed by our commissioned service providers within this area which includes:

- Using Disability Forums to develop Neurodivergent Freedom Programmes.
- Adapting activities to be minded of sensory requirements and physical contact.
- Being more aware of higher levels of anxiety and need for clear communication.

2. The above referenced programmes are the intellectual property of community organisations, and therefore the OPCC are not in a position to share this information.
3. N/A
4. N/A
5. N/A
6. Any future funding applications for neurodivergence-friendly services will be considered against the OPCC funding criteria.
7. N/A