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Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20200661

REQUEST

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request data from the last two years, 2018 and 2019 - for the time period 01/01 - 31/12.

I would like all incidents of cases that fall under 'phishing', in particular, those that are related to email phishing, or email scams. If you could supply me with reports of these and the status of each report, whether it was taken forward or not.

I would also like the details of the reports, for example, and if applicable, this could include the amount of money stolen, what was asked for, and the age of the victim. I would also like this data broken down by location. If this could all be presented in a spreadsheet, that would be great.

Following advice that there is specific offence of 'phishing' but we could look at Fraud offences with an online marker

**That sounds good!
In relation to email scams would be good.**

RESPONSE

I contacted our Data Returns Officer who carried out a search of our Crime System. She provided me with the enclosed spreadsheet and the following explanation of her search criteria:

I have provided a count of Fraud offences record as either Non crime Investigation - Action fraud:- Call for Service, Non crime Investigation - Action fraud:- NFIB Referral or with a NFIB code, where the offence was recorded with the Online Crime Indicator with a breakdown by BCU (if within South Yorkshire). Of the offence count, I have provided a breakdown of the Victim's age at incident, if recorded.

Please note -

We do not expect a count of offences to reflect a count of victims as not all offences will be recorded with a victim as some offences may have been reported by an organisation.