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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 202/25

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 11 February 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1) Please can you state for offences recorded by your force, the number in which the crime report text (described as modus operandi reports by many forces) contains a mention of "Airbnb" in each of the following calendar years:**
 - i) 2020**
 - ii) 2021**
 - iii) 2022**
 - iv) 2023**
 - v) 2024**
- 2) Please can you provide a redacted copy of the free text crime reports for these offences recorded by your force between January 2024 and January 2025.**

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case, I have today decided to disclose this to you.

Question 1

The number of crimes where 'Airbnb' was contained within the CrimeNotes between 01/01/2020 and 31/12/2024

Year	Total
2020	1
2021	0
2022	2
2023	1
2024	3
Grand Total	7



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Question 2

The CrimeNotes for each of the 3 crimes from between
01/01/2024 and 31/01/2025

Month	CrimeNotes
Jan-24	The offender has been using the victim's property as an AIRBNB. The offender has not been happy for bedding at the property and when they were asked to leave by the victim they became verbally abusive and threatened to get a family member to come round and SMASH YOUR FACE IN. The offender took the key to the property and refused to give it back.
Jun-24	Known suspect has tried to enter victim's address via the rear of the property mistaking it for his 'air bnb' and has unlawfully damaged the rear gate, shed door and outside blind of the rear door.
Nov-24	Suspect has burned curtains in Air BnB

To retrieve information relevant to your request data was extracted from the Constabulary's crime recording system for the offence 'Airbnb' and 'Air bnb'.

Please note: A keyword search may not accurately identify all information held by the Constabulary. If, for example, the keyword(s) were recorded in a different field to that which has been searched, or if another name or term was used to describe **Airbnb**, any such records would not be identified by the keyword search which has been undertaken. For this reason, although provided in good faith, the information may not be wholly accurate.

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or q

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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