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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 1397/25 Acid Attacks

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 15th October 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

For each calendar year from 2019, including 2025 to date:

1) The number of offences that were categorised as an acid attack or corrosive fluid attack against the person as per the Home Office/NPCC definition here:

"All notifiable violence against the person and robbery, involving the throwing, spraying or pouring of acid or a similarly corrosive substance onto the body of another with the intention to disfigure, torture, kill or otherwise incapacitate for criminal purposes."

2) For each calendar year, the gender of victim(s) of attacks as specified in question one - ie how many of the victims were male, female or otherwise specified.

3) For each calendar year, the gender of attacker(s)/suspect(s) (where known) in attacks as specified in question one.

4) For each calendar year, the ethnicity of victim(s) of attacks as specified in question one.

5) For each calendar year, the ethnicity of attacker(s)/suspect(s) (where known) in attacks as specified in question one.

6) The outcome of offences specified in question one - ie the number of arrests and convictions.

Your request for information has now been considered, and I can confirm that there have been relevant searches on Cumbria Constabulary's system and no offences have been found that were categorised as an acid attack or corrosive fluid attack against the person as per the Home Office/NPCC definition.

Therefore, the response to your request is no information held.

Complaint Rights

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The Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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

