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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/05150**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 9th August. I note you seek access to the following information:

**I want know the number of homophobic and transphobic hate crimes that Bedfordshire Constabulary has recorded over the past five years. I would like a year-by-year breakdown of these numbers, from 2013 to 2019. If you don't have data for 2019 yet, data from 2013-2018 is fine. I would like the breakdown to be in calendar years, not financial ones.**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries conducted by Bedfordshire Police and their crime recording systems within the Force please see our response below: -

Recorded Crime: Hate Crime Transgender - Homophobic - Sexual Orientation 01.01.2013 - 31.07.2019								
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Grand Total
Count of Serial Number	9	23	28	54	51	125	89	379

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Bedfordshire Police provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Bedfordshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.