

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000700

Date 15 December 2016

Abuse against Children - Sports Coaches and Staff

Request:

We are investigating the problem of historic and current abuse by sports coaches and staff against children. I understand LADOs (sometimes known as 'designated officers) within each local authority are notified about such incidents. If you don't have LADOs please supply us with the information in any case.

Please could you provide us with the following:

- 1. How many sports coaches or people involved in overseeing sports clubs have been referred to your LADO or designated officer, or authority, because of child welfare concerns, broken down by year over the last three full calendar years 2014, 2015 and 2016?
- 2. Please say which sports were involved?

In response to your request please find our response below:

- 1^{st} January 2016 to 31^{st} December 2016 3 sports based referrals (2 karate and one football)
- 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2015 3 sports based referrals (1 karate and 2 football)
- 1st January 2014 to 31st December 2014 1 sports based referral (karate)