



HEDDLU
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NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:11/01/2024

2024/024 - Vagrancy Act 1824

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

Monthly over the last 5 years how many people were:

a) moved on from an area under the Vagrancy Act 1824

b) convicted under the Vagrancy Act 1824

We have searched for our systems for Vagrancy Act Offences recorded 2019-2023.

Home Office Description	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Begging in a public place recordable	19	11	14	9	10
Begging in a public place second or subsequent occasion recordable	0	0	2	3	0
Vagrant being found in or upon enclosed premises recordable	0	1	0	1	0

A manual search has been conducted to ascertain how the occurrence was dealt with. It should be noted that some occurrences are logged to build evidence or link to other occurrences.

Year	Outcome	Number
2019	Suspect unknown	1
2019	Named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	1
2019	Postal requisition	1
2019	We were unable to locate the suspect in order to issue a personal summons and upon the date of the hearing the offence was withdrawn - Formal action not in public interest	1
2019	Due to evidential difficulties and lack of specifics this does not pass the threshold test to interview the suspect - FILED OUTCOME 21	1
2019	Formal action not in public interest - my rationale for selecting this outcome is as follows: Suspect has been issued CPN in relation to begging with the view to modifying the offending behaviour of the suspect long term. Not in public Interest to pursue.	1
2019	Formal action not in public interest - My rationale for selecting this Outcome is as follows: Investigation of begging that would carry a small fine if convicted. The suspect has been imprisoned for an unrelated offence and it is not in the public interest to pursue this matter.	1
2019	Outcome 21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest - The suspect in this case is being progressed with other matters and therefore this will not be progressed and it is likely to serve a custodial sentence	1
2019	Outcome 18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	2
2019	Matter dealt with by local PCSO, Further patrols will be conducted in the area	1
2019	Filed as Outcome Not a crime (NCRS compliant) - a YELLOW CARD due to ASB of begging outside the store.	1

2019	Issued a warning letter	2
2019	Arrested for other matters and have now also been issued with CPN's - Outcome 16: Victim declines/withdraws support named suspect identified	1
2019	Yellow Card issued	3
2019	CALLER REFUSES TO MAKE STATEMENT. UNABLE TO PROSECUTE FURTHER.	1
2020	that no action is required	1
2020	Charged	1
2020	1: Summoned/postal requisition	1
2020	For filing outcome 15	6
2020	For filing outcome 16	1
2020	CPN has been issued and signed	1
2020	yellow card.	1
2021	as Outcome 22 after suspect was issued with a CPN	1
2021	unwilling to support investigation	1
2021	1: Summoned/postal requisition	1
2021	Undetected.	1
2021	yellow card.	3
2021	CPN warning	1
2021	ABC contracts	2
2021	issuing a warning letter	1
2021	Please file - no crime	5
2022	Issuing of yellow card	5
2022	16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	1
2022	is no complaint	1
2022	Vulnerable adult	1
2022	ASB personal - Non crime person begging in street	1
2022	No further action required	1
2022	Non crime - civil matter	1
2022	Charged	1
2022	given words of advice and issued with an ASB warning notice	1
2023	Yellow Card.	3
2023	Moved on from the area	1
2023	Male is being considered for CPN. Nothing further at this time. Close.	1
2023	CPN warning issued, file	1
2023	No complaints made, unknown suspect.	1
2023	Male seen begging and given words of advice	1
2023	As a result of his court date on 28/11/23 he has been given a suspended sentence.	1
2023	Ongoing	1

c) arrested under the Vagrancy Act 1824

Arrested persons by month 2019-2023 (where the month is not present, no relevant arrests were made).

Year	Month	Begging in a public place (recordable)	Begging in a public place - second or subsequent occasion (recordable)	Vagrant - being found in or upon enclosed premises (recordable)	Total
2019	February	0	0	1	1
2019	May	0	0	1	1

2019	August	0	0	1	1
2020	January	0	0	1	1
2020	April	2	0	0	2
2020	May	0	1	1	2
2020	June	0	0	2	2
2020	August	0	0	4	4
2020	September	0	0	1	1
2020	November	0	0	1	1
2021	August	0	0	1	1
2022	May	0	0	2	2
2022	July	1	0	1	2
2023	December	0	0	1	1

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 10/01/2024