



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date: 11/08/2026

2026/773 - AI-generated sexual images of children

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

Please provide the following information concerning recorded crimes involving AI-generated or AI-manipulated sexual images of children.

Please search the free-text summary, modus operandi or occurrence-description fields of crimes recorded under offences concerning indecent or prohibited images of children for the following terms:

- "artificial intelligence"
- "AI-generated"
- "AI generated"
- "deepfake"
- "deep fake"
- "nudify"
- "nudified"
- "synthetic image"

For each of the calendar years 2023, 2024 and 2025, and for the period 1 January to 27 July 2026, please provide:

- 1. The number of recorded crimes returned by this search. Please count any record containing more than one of the listed search terms only once.**

Occurrences 01/01/2023 – 27/07/2026 with keyword searches of occurrence summary for "deep fake" / "deepfake", "artificial intelligence", "AI", "AI-generated" / "AI generated", "nudify", "nudified" and "synthetic image":

Year	Number
2023	2
2024	7
2025	15
01/01/2026- 27/07/2026	27

- 2. For the ten most recently recorded cases returned by the search, please provide:**

- o The date the offence was recorded
- o The recorded offence classification
- o The investigation outcome

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o The existing crime-summary, modus-operandi or occurrence-description text, with personal or identifying information redacted

I am not requesting copies or detailed descriptions of the images themselves, personal information, or anything capable of identifying a victim, suspect or other individual.

Year	Month	Offence Category Desc	HO Code	HO Description	Outcome	Summary
2026	May	Malicious communications	008/72	Malicious Comms - Sending letters etc with intent to cause distress or anxiety	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	IP states that the conversation was initially about music and then the offender has sent her an AI generated image using her head appearing on a naked body and has stated if she is to block the offender the image would be shared.
2026	May	Other Miscellaneous Sexual Offences	175/09	Create purported intimate image of adult	Outcome Not Yet Assigned	IP STATES THAT SOCIAL MEDIA AND DATING ACCOUNTS HAVE BEEN GENERATED IN HER NAME AND IMAGES SENT FROM THE ACCOUNT WHICH ARE AI GENERATED IMAGES OF HER IN AN INTIMATE STATE
2026	June	Harassment	195/94	Harassment	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	Victim reported that she has received further harassment from known male. Furthermore, he has been posting AI videos of victim ...
2026	June	Blackmail	035/00	Blackmail	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	IP reports having received a message via social media app demanding £50 or nude photographs of the IP would be circulated on social media. Offender has also sent an image of the IP's face. IP states he hasn't sent any images and is concerned AI will be used to generate the indecent images.
2026	June	Harassment	195/94	Harassment	Outcome Not Yet Assigned	KNOWN OFFENDERS HAVE BEEN PERSISTENTLY ADDING I.P. TO SOCIAL MEDIA CHAT GROUP EVERY TIME HE LEAVES, ON WHICH AN AI

						GENERATED INDECENT IMAGE OF HIM HAS BEEN POSTED.
2026	July	Sexual Grooming	071/17	Engage in sexual communication with a child	Outcome Not Yet Assigned	12yo IP reports male suspect on TikTok has threatened to create AI images of IP and post them on TikTok after IP refused to send the suspect indecent images.
2026	July	Blackmail	035/00	Blackmail	14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender	INFT REPORTING ON BEHALF OF HER SON THAT AN UNKNOWN PERSON HAS MADE SEXUALISED AI IMAGES OF HER SON'S IMAGES THAT ARE POSTED ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND HAS DEMANDED MONEY OR HAS MADE THREATS TO SHARE THE IMAGES.
2026	July	Blackmail	035/00	Blackmail	Outcome Not Yet Assigned	Caller reporting on behalf of her son that an unknown offender has created a pornographic AI video of the IP and has made an unwarranted demand for £700 in exchange for them not to post the video online.
2026	July	Blackmail	035/00	Blackmail	Outcome Not Yet Assigned	Caller reporting on behalf of his son that an unknown offender has made an unwarranted demand for money in exchange for them not releasing AI images of the IP.
2026	July	Obscene Publications, Etc. And Protected Sexual Material	086/02	Take / make / distribute indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs, of children Obscene Publications	22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, has been undertaken and there is no public interest to continue	caller reporting unknown offender has created a pornographic AI video of the IP who is 14 years old.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 10/08/2026