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NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date:04/08/2025

2025/762 - Drones

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. How many reports or incidents involving drones (unmanned aerial vehicles) have been recorded by North Wales Police in each of the past three calendar years (2022, 2023, and 2024 to date)?**
- 2. If possible, please provide a brief breakdown or summary of the nature of these incidents (e.g. trespass, harassment, airspace breaches, safety concerns, etc.).**
- 3. How many of these incidents, if any, resulted in further police action, such as warnings, investigations, prosecutions, or drone confiscation?**

Keyword Search of Occ.Summary including "drone" or "aerial vehicle"

Calendar Year	HO Code	HO Description	Outcome	Summary
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Inft reporting a neighbour flying a drone causing a nuisance at location
2022	049/10	Theft if not classified elsewhere	01. Charged / Summonsed / Postal Requisition	KNOWN OFFENDER HAS STOLEN BAG CONTAINING DRONE VALUED AT £535 BY PICKING UNATTENDED BAG UP FROM OUTSIDE SHOP AND WALKING AWAY WITH IT. CCTV AVAILABLE.

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2022	054/01	Receiving stolen goods	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	KNOWN OFFENDER HAS BEEN FOUND IN POSSESSION OF STOLEN DRONE VALUED AT £535 WHEN OFFICERS HAVE ATTENDED HIS HOME ADDRESS INVESTIGATING ITS THEFT, AND SEEN HIM TO HAVE AN ITEM CONCEALED IN HIS CLOTHING.
2022	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	A male expressed concerns that his neighbour had been flying a drone in the area without a licence.
2022	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	Person reporting youths trespassing on her land she had gone down to speak to them as they had been flying drone after speaking to them and telling them to off her land - they have flown the drone towards her ip was scared incase the drone would of hit her,
2022	125/11	Fear or provocation of violence (Sec 4)	08. Community Resolution / Youth Restorative Disposal	Offender has been flying his drone over the victims garden causing upset , victim challenges the offender resulting in him making threats of violence towards her.
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Informant reporting that the offender was hanging over the fence ... and flying his drone over her.
2022	195/94	Harassment	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	Course of conduct taken place where the offender has on more than one occassion caused the victim alarm and upset by flying his drone over her garden even though he has previously been warned by police. **CONTINUATION OF HARASSMENT - IP REPORTING ON GOING ISSUES WITH OFFENDER FLYING HIS DRONE OVER HER GARDEN.
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	IP reporting on going issues with her neighbour using a drone over her garden. Harassment linked.
2022	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	DOMESTIC . Person reporting that knwon offender has thrown a drone into IP private garden.
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Inft has contacted police reporting concerns in regards to a drone which has been sighted twice on his property.
2022		Remote pilot fly small unmanned surveillance aircraft not in accordance with permission issued by CAA	Check	KNOWN OFFENDER HAS BEEN FLYING THEIR DRONE CLOSE TO THE IP'S AND THE NEIGHBOURS PROPERTY, THIS IS HAPPENING ON A REGULAR BASIS.
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	IP REPORTS A NEIGHBOUR FLYING HIS DRONE IN A BUILT UP AREA AND OVER HIS GARDEN.

2022	042/00	Theft of mailbag or postal packet.	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	The victim has had a drone delivered to his home address which was left on his doorstep . CCTV has recorded a neighbour taking the parcel and not returned to the victim.
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Neighbour using a drone to possibly take photos of inf property due to complaint and issues with building work.
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Inf reporting for the past couple of months a male has been flying his drone over the gardens in the mornings,
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	IP REPORTED HER NEIGHBOUR IS FLYING A DRONE OVER HER GARDEN THROUGHOUT THE DAY. THE IP CONFRONTED HIM ABOUT THIS BUT HE BECAME VERBALLY ABUSIVE TELLING IP HE WORKED FOR THE POLICE.
2022	046/00	Theft from shops and stalls.	08. Community Resolution / Youth Restorative Disposal	caller reporting a shoplifting in store two females with child stolen a drone and two lego set
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	suspect not seen but thought to be a back garden neighbour has been flying a drone over the IP's back garden
2022	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	caller reporting a drone has been flying over his home and also possibly the same drone has followed the callers daughter home
2022	195/94	Harassment	21. Police Named Suspect, Investigation Not in the Public Interest	Report that IP has been followed by a drone whilst walking along public road. This is the second time this has happened. Potential offender has been named.
2022	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	Following an ongoing civil issue the IP reports she and another family member attended the location address , she has been followed by a drone on 2 occasions. She also reports receiving verbal abuse from known offender
2022	195/94	Harassment	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	Following an ongoing civil issue the IP reports she and another family member attended the location address, she has been followed by a drone on 2 occasions. She also reports receiving verbal abuse from known offender **Course of conduct - 22000855454 - Report that named offender has been abusive towards the IP. This is part of ongoing issues.*** CONTINUATION *** OFFENDER HAS BEEN PERSISTENTLY PUTTING A CAMERA IN I.P'S FACE AND FILMING HER, THEREBY CAUSING HER HARASSMENT, ALARM AND DISTRESS.

2022	125/12	Harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 5)	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	Informant reporting a male being abusive, making threats and flying drone in a crowded public area.
2022	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	A DRONE HAS BEEN LOCATED IN THE GARDEN AREA OF LOCATION ADDRESS AND HANDED IN TO POLICE .
2022		Other Fraud (Not covered elsewhere)	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	Caller has been duped into giving his drone to a male thinking a money transfer of £900 had been sent to his bank
2022	ASBN	ASB NUISANCE	Check	RESIDENTS HAVE REPORTED BEING CONCERNED OVER THE USE OF A DRONE IN THE AREA.
2022	195/94	Harassment	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	IP reporting ongoing harassment from a neighbour, ..., and then mentioned a drone continuously following her.
2023	195/94	Harassment	14. Victim Declines / Unable to Support Action to Identify Offender	UNKNOWN OFFENDERS HAVE BEEN FLYING A DRONE INTO BOUNDARIES OF I.P'S HOME ADDRESS, WATCHING HIM, FOLLOWING HIM, INTIMIDATING HIM BY GLARING AT HIM AND SITTING NEXT TO HIM IN PUBLIC, LISTENING TO HIS CONVERSATIONS, ETC.
2023	040/00	Theft in a dwelling other than from automatic machine or meter.	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	IP REPORTED THAT FEMALE ...HAD BEEN STAYING WITH HIM. HE RETURNED HOME AND DISCOVERED SHE HAD LEFT HIS ADDRESS TAKING HER OWN BELONGINGS AND DISCOVERED THAT HIS ... CAMERA BAG, DRONE, £1,000 WORTH OF CAMERA EQUIPMENT AND LAPTOP HAD BEEN STOLEN.
2023	195/12	Pursue course of conduct in breach of Sec 1 (1) which amounts to stalking	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	Domestic - Victim reports being harassed by her ex-partner who has sent a girlfriend to spy on her, flies drones over her home and makes derogatory remarks about her to her son.
2023	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	IP has reported unknown persons flying a drone by his property looking in, shouting between both parties with an allegation of assault made.

2023	008/01A	Sec 20. Malicious wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm (without intent)	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	Female reporting that a drone has landed in her garden near to her son. The blades on the drone have cut her son's leg
2023	149/00D	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5000.00 damage)	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	Two males seen on drone acting suspiciously at the rear of location. Officer attended and found damage to fencing.
2023		Fly small unmanned aircraft when not reasonably satisfied that the flight can safely be made	Under Investigation	Aircraft reporting drone at 18000 ft, far in excess of its allowed height. Reporting as per National air traffic services policy.
2023	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Informant reporting ongoing issues with her neighbour. ... Previously the male has also been flying a drone over her back garden while her son was having a birthday party with his friends. ...
2023	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	inft reporting an unknown suspect, believed to be a neighbour is flying a drone above her garden.
2023		Other Fraud (Not covered elsewhere)	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	informant sold drone on FB market, sent to address, not received payment,
2023	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Caller reporting whilst she was riding her horse ... a male has been flying a drone close to the IP and her horse, causing them to get quite distressed
2023	028/03A	Residential Burglary of a Home	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	UNKNOWN OFFENDER(S) ENTERED HIS HOME ADDRESS AND STOLE A ... A DRONE VALUED AT £80. NO SIGNS OF FORCED ENTRY.
2024	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	IP reports known offender has smashed a window at the address after making threats to the IP via a phone call. The caller also reports her daughter has been bullied by the same offender, spying her by using a drone.

2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Male with a drone, floating the drone close to the infts home on her land, stats classed as asb personal
2024		Other Fraud (Not covered elsewhere)	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	Fraud report, £2500 drone returned to store for refund, has been swapped for a smaller cheaper model in box.
2024	049/10	Theft if not classified elsewhere	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	IP HAS LEANT A DRONE TO A NAMED PERSON, SHE HAS SINCE CONTACTED HIM TO OBTAIN THE DRONE BACK AND HE HAS IGNORED HER CALLS AND MESSAGES ABOUT RETURNING IT AND HAS NOW BLOCKED HER IP FEELS HE NEVER HAD ANY INTENTION OF RETURNING IT WHEN HE ASED TO BORROW IT
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Informant reproting that she believes a male is flying a drone around her house.
2024	195/94	Harassment	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	DRONE HAS BEEN FLYING OVER THEIR PROPERTY.
2024	195/94	Harassment	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	I.P reporting a drone which has been persistently flying directly in front of her address/window on multiple occasions causing ongoing distress/annoyance.
2024	049/10	Theft if not classified elsewhere	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	Theft of drone from roof box of ip's vehicle by unknown offender
2024	149/00D	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5000.00 damage)	08. Community Resolution / Youth Restorative Disposal	Suspect has taken a shot with an air rifle at an overhead drone causing damage.
2024	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	Concerns a number of drones flying about the prison. Officers attended and staff don't believe any item(s) have been dropped.
2024	ASBN	ASB NUISANCE	Check	I.P reports a drone flying over the address which is spooking her horse. I.P did not see where the drone came from/who was flying it.

2024	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	IP REPORTS THAT HE HAS BEEN ASSAULTED BY AN UNKNOWN MALE OFFENDER. THE OFFENDER WAS FLYING A DRONE DESPITE BEING ASKED NOT TO AND AS A RESULT AN ARGUMENT ENSUED AND THE IP WAS ASSAULTED.
2024	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	... Further issues of drone coming within 10 meters high of the victims garden.
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	IP has been having issues with a drone flying close to her property and believes it is looking in her windows. This has been causing the IP some concern.
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	IP has been using a drone to conduct ariel survey of woodlands. A Neighbour has approached IP and made vague threats towards IP including that he was going to report him to Police.
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	CALLER REPORTING A DRONE WAS IN HER FRONT GARDEN LAST NIGHT SHE HAS PICKED IT UP ON RING DOORBELL - IT WAS HOVERING AT WINDOW LEVEL
2024	195/94	Harassment	Under Investigation	Victim reports being harassed by his neighbour which includes using drone to video him.
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Caller reporting male from location is flying a drone and looking into people's windows. The male does not have a permit to fly the drone. There was also mention of threats being made out.
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Informant reporting a male flying a drone at the location causing a nuisance.
2024	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	08. Community Resolution / Youth Restorative Disposal	He was flying his drone to take pictures of the property and male living next door who's not known to him came out and was very aggressive about him flying a drone. He tried to grab the drone from him,
2024	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	She mentioned she has seen a drone in the area and believes it's her ex as she stated he likes drones and this has left her feeling paranoid and fearful. No offences disclosed
2024	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	REPORT MADE OF A DRONE SIGHTED ON THIRTEEN OCCASIONS AT LOCATION
2024	ASBE	ASB ENVIRONMENTAL	Check	The informant reporting a drone being flown over the location.

2024	195/94	Harassment	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	IP reports ongoing harassment by known suspects who are flying drones over & taking photo's of IP's business, along with making various accusations of IP publicly
2024	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	POP looking at Drones at Hawarden Airport
2024	195/94	Harassment	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition	Domestic: IP reports their son is harassing them with a drone and has been shouting through IP's letterplate, causing IP distress.
2025	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Under Investigation	Caller reporting that for two days in a row a drone has been flying over her home and surrounding properties of which she has recorded video and screen shot of the male.
2025	069/07	Throwing articles into prison	Under Investigation	Unknown offender has flown a drone over the loc address and dropped a substantial package dropped in the grounds.
2025	105/01	Common assault and battery (Violence without injury)	16. Victim Declines / Withdraws Support - Named Suspect Identified	Ip reports that when he confronted his neighbour over the flying of a drone , he was was hit.
2025	049/10	Theft if not classified elsewhere	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	Ip reports leaving drone at location, being a hill in prestatyn as forgot it and when he returned it had been taken
2025	195/12	Pursue course of conduct in breach of Sec 1 (1) which amounts to stalking	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	Known offender has repeatedly flown a drone over the school/over her whilst collecting her children and verbally abused her causing ongoing alarm/distress. *Victim reporting that her ex-partner is flying a drone over her address. *
2025	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	NEIGHBOUR FLIES A DRONE AND IP FEELS IT INVADES THEIRS, AND OTHER NEIGHBOUR'S, PRIVACY
2025	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	Caller reporting that a unknown male has been flying a drone in a public place and has potentially taken pictures of her children however she has no way of proving this.
2025	ASBN	ASB NUISANCE	Check	informant states suspect shouts and also flies a drone around location,
2025	0000A	non crime occurrence	Check	DOMESTIC – Victim reporting that her ex-partner is flying a drone over her address
2025	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Suspect known to the ip is reported to have twice flown a drone

				into the callers garden where her young daughter has been out playing,
2025	195/94	Harassment	15. Police Named Suspect, Victim Supports but Evidential Difficulties	Victim has contacted police wishing to report ongoing issues with a neighbour flying a drone over the property.
2025	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Under Investigation	Caller reporting a drone above her home when she and her child are in the garden, caller concerned as to if she is being filmed
2025	125/09	Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (Sec 4A)	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	Neighbour has become aggressive towards guests staying at a property after they flew a drone above the property.
2025	ASBN	ASB NUISANCE	Check	anon report of a drone flying at night and over the callers HA
2025	046/00	Theft from shops and stalls.	01. Charged / Summonsed / Postal Requisition	UNKNOWN OFFENDERS HAVE STOLEN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF BB GUNS, A DRONE AND UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT OF CONFECTIONERY BY SELECTING ITEMS FROM DISPLAY, PLACING THEM INTO A BASKET, THEN LEAVING RETAIL PREMISES WITHOUT MAKING ANY ATTEMPT TO PAY FOR ITEMS.
2025		Remote pilot fly small unmanned surveillance aircraft not in accordance with permission issued by CAA	Under Investigation	NONCRIME/AN16343: Remote pilot fly small unmanned surveillance aircraft not in accordance with permission issued by CAA IP REPORTING NEIGHBOUR FLYING A DRONE WITH A CAMERA WITHIN 150 METERS OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY BREACHING CAA REGULATIONS
2025	195/12	Pursue course of conduct in breach of Sec 1 (1) which amounts to stalking	Under Investigation	IP reporting ongoing issues... where by a drone has also been flying over her home and has seen a male parked on her street picking the drone up,
2025	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Check	Unknown persons are posting comments on a local social media page complaining about Ip's use of her drone which is upsetting her
2025		419 Advance Fee Fraud	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	KNOWN OFFENDER HAS STOLEN £40 AND DEMANDED A FURTHER £100 BY MESSAGING I.P. VIA SOCIAL MEDIA, PURPORTING TO HAVE A COMPANY WHICH COULD FIND HER MISSING CAT BY SEARCHING WITH DRONES, ...

2025	008/06A	Sec 47. Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	18. Investigation Complete No Suspect Identified	IP is security and when he has approached a male flying a drone and filming, he has been head cutted causing injuries.
2025	ASBP	ASB PERSONAL	Under Investigation	Caller reporting issues involving known male and the use of a drone
2025	ASBE	ASB ENVIRONMENTAL	Check	The informant reporting Drone hovering over infts house. Inft feels as though it was an invasion of her privacy.

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