West Midlands Police Freedom of Information

Can I please request the below information broken down annually for each year 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

1. The number of cases referred to your force from Action Fraud?

We only hold the data for 2019 and 2020, please see below:

2019 - 1710 2020 - 1865

2. Of this number, how many cases were prosecuted?

The below has been provided by CoLP/NFIB:

Judicial Outcomes by year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total	157	415	158	243	318

In line with National Crime Recording Standards, one crime is recorded for each victim. A single investigation or 'case' may involve multiple victims and therefore multiple judicial outcomes. Information on what a judicial outcome covers is contained in the 'Crime Recording General Rules' and 'Counting Rules for Fraud' (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counting-rules-for-recorded-crime.)

It may be worth highlighting that this data represents judicial outcomes reported in the respective year. A direct comparison between disseminations and judicial outcomes for a particular year cannot be made as judicial outcomes received in each year may have originated from cases disseminated prior to that year.

3. How many prosecutions which were successful?

No recorded information held, we do not hold prosecution data.