Former Amesbury officer arrested on charges of rape of a child

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2015 Cop pedophile David J. Connor

AMESBURY — Amesbury Police have arrested a former police sergeant on charges of allegedly raping a young child and committing a string of disturbing offenses, after a long investigation.

David J. Connor, 62, of Amesbury is charged with three counts of possession of child pornography, two counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14, aggravated rape and abuse of a child, indecent exposure.

The victim is a child who is known to Connor, according to police.

Connor will be arraigned this afternoon in Newburyport District Court.

"This is a tragic situation where the suspect is accused of horrific acts against a child," police Chief Kevin Ouellet said in a statement. "I want to acknowledge the work of the Amesbury Police Department during this investigation. We will continue to work collaboratively until justice is served in this case."

Connor worked for the Amesbury Police Department from 1977 to 1991, leaving at the rank of sergeant.

The investigation was conducted by the Amesbury Police Department, working closely with the Essex Country District Attorney's Office, and with the assistance of the Peabody Police Department, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and the Department of Children and Families.

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