



**STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE**

FOI ref no: 14402

20th June 2022

Freedom of Information request: reference 14402 first notified to us by email on 16th May 2022. Thank you for your recent request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as detailed below:

1. *The annual statistical summary of the total number of warranted police officers within your police force area for each year in the period 2011 – 2021.*
2. *The annual statistical summary of warranted police officers within your police force area who were recorded as having obtained a criminal record during the period 2011 – 2021.*
3. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of criminal records obtained by warranted police officers within your police force area during the period 2011 – 2021, disaggregated by 'summary', 'either way' and 'indicatable' offence categories.*
4. *The annual statistical summary breakdown for criminal records obtained by warranted police officers within your police force area during the period 2011 – 2021, disaggregated by listed offence type, within each of the three main offence categories (summary, either way, indictable).*
5. *The annual statistical summary breakdown for warranted police officers within your police force area who obtained a criminal record during the period 2011 – 2021 within each of the aforementioned offence types (see 4 above) disaggregated by their station district post code (e.g. NG1), as well as their age, ethnicity and gender.*
6. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of the origin of referrals to your police force of criminal records obtained by warranted police officers during the period 2011 – 2021 (e.g. officer self-disclosure, disclosure from another force, disclosure court). Please provide these broken down by your police force area's own categorisation of referral origin and disaggregate by criminal record offence types (see 4 above).*
7. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of whether cases referred to your police force regarding criminal records obtained by warranted police officers during the period 2011 – 2021, were or were not then subject to further investigation by the Professional Standards Directorate (PSD) and/or the Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC), disaggregated by criminal record offence types (see 4 above).*
8. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of your recorded outcomes for non-referrals for further investigation by the PSD/IOPC (e.g. no further action, warning, dismissal) related to cases of criminal records obtained by warranted police officers within your police force area during the period 2011 – 2021. Please provide this information disaggregated by criminal record offence types (see 4 above).*

9. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of recorded outcomes of PSD/IOPD investigations within your police force area related to cases of criminal records obtained by warranted police officers during the period 2011 – 2021 (e.g. no further action, warning, dismissal). Please provide this information disaggregated by criminal record offence types (see 4 above).*
10. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of the number and outcome of appeals against dismissal made by warranted police officers within your police force area who obtained a criminal record during the period 2011 – 2021, disaggregated by criminal record offence types (see 4 above).*
11. *The annual statistical summary breakdown of your recorded outcome of appeals against dismissal made via the High Court in England and Wales, by warranted police officers who obtained a criminal record during the period 2011 – 2021, disaggregated by criminal record offence types (see 4 above).*

Staffordshire Police's response to your enquiry is as follows:

Staffordshire Police does hold the requested information but in accordance with Section 17 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a refusal notice for this particular request.

I am applying the exemption under Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act (where the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit). 'Section 12(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the prescribed limit'.

The issue is that there is no readily retrievable way of obtaining the requested information. The only way to accurately locate and collate the required data would be to carry out a very labour intensive manual trawl through eleven years' worth of records. The research required would exceed the 18-hour time and cost exemption stipulated by the FOI Act.

To assist you in refining your request, I would be able to provide some information with regard to current serving officers who have criminal convictions.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this email and should be addressed to:

foi@staffordshire.police.uk

Or by Post to:

Central Disclosure Unit
Staffordshire Police HQ
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