

22 October 2024

FOI Ref 17287

Request - You asked us the following:

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

Including school-based police officers, school liaison/engagement officers, and any other officers in similar roles, how many police officers are currently deployed in schools across your force area, where their primary duty involves regular engagement within schools?

Of those officers, how many are specifically deployed under the 'Safer School Partnerships' program?

For clarity, by "school-based police officers," I am referring to officers for whom working within schools is a primary and significant part of their role, regardless of the specific title used by your force.

If officers perform a similar function under a different title, please include them in the count and provide their title(s) as used within your force.

We received your request on 24/09/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

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

Staffordshire Police holds the requested information.

- 1. Including school-based police officers, school liaison/engagement officers, and any other officers in similar roles, how many police officers are currently deployed in schools across your force area, where their primary duty involves regular engagement within schools? – **No information held.**
- 2. Of those officers, how many are specifically deployed under the 'Safer School Partnerships' program? – **No information held.**
- 3. For clarity, by "school-based police officers," I am referring to officers for whom working within schools is a primary and significant part of their role, regardless of the specific title used by your force. – **No information held.**
- 4. If officers perform a similar function under a different title, please include them in the count and provide their title(s) as used within your force. – **No information held.**

Advice and assistance

Section 16 of the Act places an obligation upon the Authority to provide advice and assistance, in order to comply with this obligation please see below.



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Police Community Support Officer's are our main resource for police engagement with schools, however whilst part of their work will involve school liaison/engagement, none are based within the school and none are primarily used only for school engagement.

We have partnership work with the Commissioner's Office where PSHE (Personal, social, health and economic) coordinators engage with schools on our behalf but these are not police employees.

Next steps

You can ask us to review our response.

If you would like us to carry out a review of our response, please let us know within two months of the date of receipt of this email, review requests should be addressed to:

foi@staffordshire.police.uk

Or by Post to:

Central Disclosure Unit
Staffordshire Police HQ
PO Box 3167
Stafford
ST16 9JZ

Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

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