

19 December 2024

FOI Ref 17553

Request - You asked us the following:

Please accept this request under the Freedom of Information Act. I'm seeking:

1. A list of all civil injunctions restricting protest that have been granted to your public body since 2018. For each injunction listed, please provide:
 - A copy of the court judgment
 - A copy of any maps detailing the geographic area where the injunction applies
2. Please specify the total amount of legal costs incurred by your public body to date in regard to each injunction listed in response to Q1, including any costs passed onto the protesters named in the injunction. Please break this figure down by the name of each legal firm/lawyer to which the cost are owed
3. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify the total amount contributed towards legal costs by other organisations or individuals. Please break the total figure down by the name of the organisation or individual and the amount of their contribution.
4. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify the total amount of legal costs that have been passed on to protesters named in the judgment. Please break this figure down by the number of protesters ordered to pay costs.
5. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify the total amount of money in legal costs that has been recouped from protesters named in the judgment. Please break this figure down by the total number of protesters from which your organisation has recouped its costs.
6. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify how many individuals have been arrested for a suspected breach of the injunction.
7. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify how many individuals have been found to have breached the injunction and the penalty that was imposed on each individual. Please include both fines issued as well as sentences/suspended sentences handed down.

We received your request on 04/12/2024 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.

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- 1. A list of all civil injunctions restricting protest that have been granted to your public body since 2018. For each injunction listed, please provide: - **Disclosed, Nil.**
- A copy of the court judgment – **Not applicable.**
- A copy of any maps detailing the geographic area where the injunction applies – **Not applicable.**
- 2. Please specify the total amount of legal costs incurred by your public body to date in regard to each injunction listed in response to Q1, including any costs passed onto the protesters named in the injunction. Please break this figure down by the name of each legal firm/lawyer to which the cost are owed – **Not applicable.**
- 3. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify the total amount contributed towards legal costs by other organisations or individuals. Please break the total figure down by the name of the organisation or individual and the amount of their contribution. – **Not applicable.**
- 4. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify the total amount of legal costs that have been passed on to protesters named in the judgment. Please break this figure down by the number of protesters ordered to pay costs. – **Not applicable.**
- 5. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify the total amount of money in legal costs that has been recouped from protesters named in the judgment. Please break this figure down by the total number of protesters from which your organisation has recouped its costs. – **Not applicable.**
- 6. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify how many individuals have been arrested for a suspected breach of the injunction. – **Not applicable.**
- 7. For each injunction listed in response to Q1, please specify how many individuals have been found to have breached the injunction and the penalty that was imposed on each individual. Please include both fines issued as well as sentences/suspended sentences handed down. – **Not applicable.**

Please note that this data has been provided to the best of our ability, subject to the limitation of current recording protocols and systems/software.

Every effort is made to ensure that the data presented is accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that this has been extracted from multiple sources, developed for specific policing purposes, for which data extraction methods have not been specifically designed to directly correlate with the terminology of this request. Therefore, the data presented is subject to the inaccuracies and idiosyncrasies inherent in any large-scale recording system.

As a consequence, care should be taken in the interpretation and presentation of this data, so as to not misrepresent the whole or any part of the data disclosed.

Freedom of Information Request Appeals Procedure

1. Who Can Ask for a Review

Any person who has requested information from Staffordshire Police, which has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act, is entitled to complain and request an internal review, if they are dissatisfied with the response they received.

2. How to Request a Review

Requests for review of a Freedom of Information request must be made in writing 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
PO Box 3167
Stafford
ST16 9JZ

The reference number, date of the request and details of why the review is being requested must be included. Requests for review should be brought to the attention of the Central Disclosure Unit within two months of the Force's response to the original FOI request.

3. Review Procedure

Receipt of a request for review will be acknowledged in writing. The review will be conducted by another Decision Maker who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Central Disclosure Unit will set a target date for a response. The response will be made as soon as is practicable with the intention to complete the review within 20 working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 working days.

The independent Decision Maker will conduct a review of the handling of the request for information and of decisions taken, including decisions taken about where the public interest lies in respect of exempt information where applicable. The review enables a re-evaluation of the case, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.

4. Conclusion of the Appeal

On completion of the review the Independent Decision maker will reply to the complainant with the result of the review. If the complainant is still dissatisfied following the review they should contact the Information Commissioner to make an appeal. The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following details:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF



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ICO Website for complaints link: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/foi-and-eir-complaints/foi-and-eir-complaints/>

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