

5 November 2024

FOI Ref 17301

**Request - You asked us the following:**

**REQUEST 1:**

Police procedure regarding the use of audio and visual recording on and inside my own home.

**REQUEST 2:**

Is a police officer required to inform me that I am being filmed?

**REQUEST 3:**

When no crime has happened, what are police regulations regarding filming a member of the public on and in his own property?

We received your request on 30/09/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

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

**Staffordshire Police holds/does not hold the requested information.**

- **REQUEST 1:**  
Police procedure regarding the use of audio and visual recording on and inside my own home. – **Disclosed, if an officer is present at an incident in a private dwelling and is there for a genuine policing purpose, they are entitled to make a body worn video recording in the same way as they would record any other incident.**
- **REQUEST 2:**  
Is a police officer required to inform me that I am being filmed? – **Disclosed, at the start of a recording, or as soon as practicable, the user (police officer) is to make a verbal announcement that they are recording both visually and audibly.**
- **REQUEST 3:**  
When no crime has happened, what are police regulations regarding filming a member of the public on and in his own property? – **Disclosed, as per question one. Also, it will always be for the individual officer to justify why they have used their recording equipment (body worn video) and, where there are objections, to work through those objections and address them with the individual/s raising them.**

**Next steps**

You can ask us to review our response.



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**POLICE**

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](mailto: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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Central Disclosure Unit