

5 September 2024

FOI Ref 16606

Request - You asked us the following:

1. Your force policy and /or any directions to staff and officers regarding the circumstances in which they may request to see a Gender Recognition Certificate (GRC) from a member of the public.
 2. As at 1. but relating to provision of a GRC from a person in custody.
 3. As at 1. but relating to the provision of a GRC from a person charged/to be charged with an offence.
 4. As at 1. but relating to the provision of a GRC FROM a police officer or staff member.
 5. Any training documentation provided to staff on the Gender Reform Act 2004.
- For clarity, with regard to 4. this will relate to their ability to conduct searches upon the opposite sex.

We received your request on 04/03/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Please find below our response.

Staffordshire Police holds the following requested information.

1. Your force policy and /or any directions to staff and officers regarding the circumstances in which they may request to see a Gender Recognition Certificate (GRC) from a member of the public. – **No information held.**
2. As at 1. but relating to provision of a GRC from a person in custody. – **No information held.**
3. As at 1. but relating to the provision of a GRC from a person charged/to be charged with an offence. – **No information held.**
4. As at 1. but relating to the provision of a GRC FROM a police officer or staff member. – **No information held.**
5. Any training documentation provided to staff on the Gender Reform Act 2004. – **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.

Please note that there is no existing policy that mentions or governs a request for the production of a Gender Recognition Certificate, as the Equality Act does not allow for any such request.



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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.

Freedom of Information
Central Disclosure Unit