

12 September 2024

FOI Ref 17088

Request - You asked us the following:

1. What is the population size served by your Police Force?
2. How many allegations of stalking were reported to the Police Force in 2023?
3. Does this Police Force have a stalking strategy, or similar?
- 3a. If so, has the strategy been influenced by any high-profile stalking cases?
4. How many Stalking Protection Order applications were made in 2023 by this Police Force?
5. Of the Stalking Protection Order applications during 2023, how many resulted in a Stalking Protection Order/ Interim Stalking Protection Order?
6. Does the Police Force have a 'stalking coordinator' or similar?
7. Does the Police Force have a 'stalking clinic' or similar, such as a multi-agency meeting where stalking cases are discussed?
8. If the force has a stalking clinic/similar, which other agencies are involved?
 - NHS Trust/Health professionals – please specify
 - Probation Services
 - Local Authority/social services
 - Victim liaison/victim aid
9. If the force has a stalking clinic/similar, how is it funded?
10. If there is a stalking clinic in place, are there any face-to-face assessments or treatments offered to defendants/perpetrators, through health professionals? If so, please specify.

We received your request on 25/07/2024 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Please find below our response.

Staffordshire Police holds the following requested information.

- 1. What is the population size served by your Police Force? – **Information held.**
- 2. How many allegations of stalking were reported to the Police Force in 2023? – **Information held.**
- 3. Does this Police Force have a stalking strategy, or similar? – **Information held.**
- 3a. If so, has the strategy been influenced by any high-profile stalking cases? – **Information held.**
- 4. How many Stalking Protection Order applications were made in 2023 by this Police Force? – **Information held.**
- 5. Of the Stalking Protection Order applications during 2023, how many resulted in a Stalking Protection Order/ Interim Stalking Protection Order? – **Information held.**

- 6. Does the Police Force have a 'stalking coordinator' or similar? – **No information held.**
- 7. Does the Police Force have a 'stalking clinic' or similar, such as a multi-agency meeting where stalking cases are discussed? – **No information held.**
- 8. If the force has a stalking clinic/similar, which other agencies are involved? – **No information held.**
 - NHS Trust/Health professionals – please specify
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 - Victim liaison/victim aid
- 9. If the force has a stalking clinic/similar, how is it funded? – **No information held.**
- 10. If there is a stalking clinic in place, are there any face-to-face assessments or treatments offered to defendants/perpetrators, through health professionals? If so, please specify. – **No information held.**

Staffordshire Police discloses the following information.

- 1. What is the population size served by your Police Force? – **Withheld, please see below.**
- 2. How many allegations of stalking were reported to the Police Force in 2023? – **Disclosed, 4268.**
- 3. Does this Police Force have a stalking strategy, or similar? – **Disclosed, the stalking plan is currently under review.**
- 3a. If so, has the strategy been influenced by any high-profile stalking cases? – **Disclosed, the strategy is based upon learning through both external providers, the College of Policing and attending joint working groups with other forces nationally.**
- 4. How many Stalking Protection Order applications were made in 2023 by this Police Force? – **Disclosed, 3.**
- 5. Of the Stalking Protection Order applications during 2023, how many resulted in a Stalking Protection Order/ Interim Stalking Protection Order? – **Disclosed, 3.**
- 6. Does the Police Force have a 'stalking coordinator' or similar? – **No information held.**
- 7. Does the Police Force have a 'stalking clinic' or similar, such as a multi-agency meeting where stalking cases are discussed? – **No information held.**
- 8. If the force has a stalking clinic/similar, which other agencies are involved? – **No information held.**



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- NHS Trust/Health professionals – please specify
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- 9. If the force has a stalking clinic/similar, how is it funded? – **No information held.**
 - 10. If there is a stalking clinic in place, are there any face-to-face assessments or treatments offered to defendants/perpetrators, through health professionals? If so, please specify. – **No information held.**

The following exemptions have been applied:

- **Section 21(1) - Information reasonably accessible by other means.**
Section 21 is an absolute, class-based exemption and as such there is no requirement to quantify the harm that may arise from the disclosure, nor is there a requirement to perform a Public Interest Test.

Advice and assistance

In order to comply with our obligations under Section 16 of the Act, the obligation to provide advice and assistance, please find below links to the information requested.

- [Policing in Staffordshire | Staffordshire Police](#)

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.

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:

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Or by Post to:

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

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