

16 April 2025

FOI Ref 21194

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

I am submitting this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to obtain information regarding how your force approaches the concepts of Threat, Harm and Risk. I am not requesting information for a specific time period. Specifically, I would like information on the following:

1. Conceptualisation: How does your force define and conceptualise Threat, Harm and Risk?
2. Operationalisation: What procedures, frameworks, or tools are used to apply Threat, Harm and Risk in operational practice (e.g., DASH, THRIVE)?
3. Understanding: Are there specific training materials, internal policies, or documents that describe how Threat, Harm and Risk are understood at both operational and strategic levels?

We received your request on 07/04/2025 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.**

- I am submitting this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to obtain information regarding how your force approaches the concepts of Threat, Harm and Risk. I am not requesting information for a specific time period. Specifically, I would like information on the following:
- 1. Conceptualisation: How does your force define and conceptualise Threat, Harm and Risk? – **Disclosed, Staffordshire Police deployed the THRIVE model across all its incident management using the Nationally defined Framework.**
- 2. Operationalisation: What procedures, frameworks, or tools are used to apply Threat, Harm and Risk in operational practice (e.g., DASH, THRIVE)? – **Disclosed, THRIVE is used on every incident that is reported into the Force via any Channel. Officers deploy the DASH risk assessment across all Domestic Abuse incidents when the officer is either in attendance or through Domestic Abuse video review.**
- 3. Understanding: Are there specific training materials, internal policies, or documents that describe how Threat, Harm and Risk are understood at both operational and strategic levels? – **Disclosed, THRIVE training is given to all Contact Handlers and Officers receive DASH training. Threat, Harm and Risk is documented at both an operational and strategic level through the Force Incident Policy.**

Please be advised that all Freedom of Information request responses are published on the Staffordshire Police website although personal details are not included.

## **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](mailto: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



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