



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

16 April 2025

FOI Ref 21215

Request - You asked us the following:

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- B) Could I also have this data broken down into time periods:
- a. Friday 5pm – 8pm
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 - c. Friday 11pm – 2am (going into Saturday morning)
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- C) Could I also request the number of ASB calls in Lichfield city centre for the same years, i.e. 2022/23, 2023/24, and 2024/25, broken down into months/quarters as far as possible.

Clarification received on 11/04/2025

Yes please, just between 5pm and 5am on Fridays and Saturdays to cover the weekend night time economy period.

Please ASB calls only for Fridays and Saturdays (5pm – 5am) to cover the 'night time economy period' It doesn't have to be broken down any further than this, just into total number of calls for the years requested and if possible into months/quarters.

We received your request on 10/04/2025 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.

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– **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 21215 Crime Statistics in Lichfield City Centre Data'.**
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Please be advised that the data has been provided for questions A and B for all offences on Fridays and Saturdays between 5pm and 5am in Lichfield City Centre in the time period requested. These have been broken down by Local Offence Group and the 'Town Centre' flag has been marked as yes.

With regards to question C, the data refers to all Anti Social Behaviour related calls received during Fridays and Saturdays between 5pm and 5am in Lichfield City Centre where the 'Town Centre' flag has been added.

The dataset includes offences committed inside dwellings and is also likely to include domestic related offences that have occurred elsewhere (for example domestic related assaults in the street/public houses etc.). Any attempt to try to identify and remove such offences from the dataset would require a manual trawl of all offences which would be very labour intensive and would result in the 18 hour time and cost threshold of the FOI Act being exceeded.

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. Additional offences may have been recorded during these timescales but are awaiting finalisation and input onto these systems and would not be present within this dataset.

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.

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

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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