

12 August 2025

FOI Ref 21706

Request - You asked us the following:

1. How many Data Subject Access Requests (DSAR's) have been submitted to Staffordshire Police between 1st January 2023 and 6th August 2025?
2. Of those DSAR's submitted, how many were not actioned and completed within one calendar month and what is the average response time in days for those which did not comply with legislation?
3. What remedies have Staffordshire Police put in place to ensure improved compliance with Data Protection Legislation?
4. Have Staffordshire Police Force, or any of its officers or employees, been subject of any warning, reprimand, enforcement notice or penalty issued by the Information Commissioner's Office and if financial penalties have been imposed how much are they?

We received your request on 07/08/2025 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

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

Staffordshire Police holds some of the requested information.

- 1. How many Data Subject Access Requests (DSAR's) have been submitted to Staffordshire Police between 1st January 2023 and 6th August 2025? – **Withheld, please see the below exemption.**
- 2. Of those DSAR's submitted, how many were not actioned and completed within one calendar month and what is the average response time in days for those which did not comply with legislation? – **Withheld, please see the below exemption.**
- 3. What remedies have Staffordshire Police put in place to ensure improved compliance with Data Protection Legislation? – **No information held.**
- 4. Have Staffordshire Police Force, or any of its officers or employees, been subject of any warning, reprimand, enforcement notice or penalty issued by the Information Commissioner's Office and if financial penalties have been imposed how much are they? – **Disclosed, nil.**

The following exemption has been applied:

In accordance with Section 17(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a refusal notice for parts of this particular request.



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- 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.

- [staffordshire-data-collection-2025.pdf](#)
- [staffordshire-data-collection-from-june-2024.pdf](#)
- [staffordshire-data-collection-to-end-of-may-2024.pdf](#)
- [staffordshire-data-collection-2023.pdf](#)
- [Search - performance](#) (NPFDU National FOI Performance Monitoring – this also includes SAR in table 2)

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



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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
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

ICO Website for complaints link: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/foi-and-eir-complaints/foi-and-eir-complaints/>

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