



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

11 December 2025

FOI Ref 22176

Request - You asked us the following:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

1. How many reports have been made to your police force of sexual offences that have allegedly taken place on hospital premises within your force area since 1 Jan 2020 to date?

Total

2. Please provide a breakdown total provided in question 1 by calendar year*

a) 2020 b) 2021 c) 2022 d) 2023 e) 2024 f) 2025 to date

3. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by type of sexual offence under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 - e.g. a) "ASSAULT OF A MALE CHILD UNDER 13 BY PENETRATION", "SEX - RAPE A WOMAN 16 YEARS OR OLDER", etc

SEX - RAPE A WOMAN 16 YEARS OR OLDER ASSAULT OF A MALE CHILD UNDER 13 BY PENETRATION EXPOSURE SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A MALE etc
etc

4. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by age of victim in the following categories: a) under 18, b) 18-64 and c) 65 and over**

a) Under 18 b) 18-64 c) 65+

5. Of all reports of alleged sexual offences on hospital premises since 1 Jan 2020 (i.e. question 1), please state the total number of incidents charged.

Total charged since 1 Jan 2020

6. Please provide a breakdown of the total number of rapes since 1 Jan 2020 (i.e. the answer to 3.a) by the age of the rape victim in the following categories: a) under 18, b) 18-64 and c) 65 plus**

a) Under 18 b) 18-64 c) 65+

*If your force records this information in tax year, please provide the following yearly totals instead: 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 to date.

**If your force records this information in different age categories, please provide any information on age of victim available.

Staffordshire Police (SP) received your request on 27/11/2025 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

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

SP holds the requested information.

- 1. How many reports have been made to your police force of sexual offences that have allegedly taken place on hospital premises within your force area since 1 Jan 2020 to date? – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 22176 Sexual Offences Data'.**



- 2. Please provide a breakdown total provided in question 1 by calendar year*
a) 2020 b) 2021 c) 2022 d) 2023 e) 2024 f) 2025 to date –
Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled ‘FOI 22176 Sexual Offences Data’.
- 3. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by type of sexual offence under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 - e.g. a) "ASSAULT OF A MALE CHILD UNDER 13 BY PENETRATION", "SEX - RAPE A WOMAN 16 YEARS OR OLDER", etc
SEX - RAPE A WOMAN 16 YEARS OR OLDER ASSAULT OF A MALE CHILD UNDER 13 BY PENETRATION EXPOSURE SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A MALE etc – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled ‘FOI 22176 Sexual Offences Data’.**
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a) Under 18 b) 18-64 c) 65+ – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled ‘FOI 22176 Sexual Offences Data’.**
- 5. Of all reports of alleged sexual offences on hospital premises since 1 Jan 2020 (i.e. question 1), please state the total number of incidents charged.
Total charged since 1 Jan 2020 – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled ‘FOI 22176 Sexual Offences Data’.**
- 6. Please provide a breakdown of the total number of rapes since 1 Jan 2020 (i.e. the answer to 3.a) by the age of the rape victim in the following categories: a) under 18, b) 18-64 and c) 65 plus**
a) Under 18 b) 18-64 c) 65+ – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled ‘FOI 22176 Sexual Offences Data’.**

*If your force records this information in tax year, please provide the following yearly totals instead: 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 to date. – **Disclosed, this data has been provided in calendar years.**

If your force records this information in different age categories, please provide any information on age of victim available. – **Disclosed, this data has been provided for your requested age groups.

Please be advised this data has been extracted from our crime/occurrence recording database. This data has been filtered for sexual offences and where the location has been recorded as a ‘hospital’.

Please note that this data has been provided to the best of the ability of SP, 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.

Consequently, care should be taken in the interpretation and presentation of this data, 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 SP 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 SP, 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:

IAT@staffordshire.police.uk

Or by Post to:

Information Access Team
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 Information Access Team within two months of the SP 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 a supervisor who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Information Access Team 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 twenty working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to forty working days.

The independent supervisor 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, considering the matters raised by the complaint.

4. Conclusion of the Appeal



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On completion of the review the independent supervisor will reply to the appellant with the result of the review. If the appellant 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 link:
<https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/foi-and-eir-complaints/foi-and-eir-complaints/>

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