



13 March 2025

FOI Ref 17929

Request - You asked us the following:

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

- 1) The amount of money, and number of police officers, your force supplied to football matches at any of the stadiums listed below, which are relevant to you. I have also included the relevant police areas for each stadium, for your convenience. This should be for the matches during the 2023/24 football season (aka from August 2023- May 2024)
- 2) This should include a) the date of the match 2) the number of police provided for the game 3) the money spent per matchday

I would like to receive the information in excel format please.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined I would be grateful for any further advice and assistance.

I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request. I look forward to your response within 20 working days, as outlined by the statute.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me via email or phone and I will be very happy to clarify what I am asking for and discuss the request, my details are outlined below.

List of stadiums

Team	Location	Stadium
Arsenal	London (Holloway)	Emirates Stadium
Aston Villa	Birmingham	Villa Park
Bournemouth	Bournemouth	Dean Court
Brentford	London (Brentford)	Brentford Community Stadium
Brighton & Hove Albion	Falmer	Falmer Stadium
Burnley	Burnley	Turf Moor
Chelsea	London (Fulham)	Stamford Bridge
Crystal Palace	London (Selhurst)	Selhurst Park
Everton	Liverpool (Walton)	Goodison Park
Fulham	London (Fulham)	Craven Cottage
Ipswich Town	Ipswich	Portman Road



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Leicester City	Leicester	King Power Stadium
Liverpool	Liverpool (Anfield)	Anfield
Luton Town	Luton	Kenilworth Road
Manchester City	Manchester (Bradford)	City of Manchester Stadium
Manchester United	Manchester (Old Trafford)	Old Trafford
Newcastle United	Newcastle upon Tyne	St James' Park
Nottingham Forest	West Bridgford	City Ground
Sheffield United	Sheffield	Bramall Lane
Southampton	Southampton	St Mary's
Tottenham Hotspur	London (Tottenham)	Tottenham Hotspur Stadium
West Ham United	London (Stratford)	London Stadium
Wolverhampton Wanderers	Wolverhampton	Molineux Stadium

We received your request on 07/03/2025 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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- 2) This should include a) the date of the match – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 17929 Cost and Officers at Football Matches Data'.**
- 3) the number of police provided for the game – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 17929 Cost and Officers at Football Matches Data'.**
- 4) the money spent per matchday – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 17929 Cost and Officers at Football Matches Data'.**

Please be advised we have sent Officers to the Stadiums in the list, but we are not responsible for Policing those Stadiums.

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.

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:



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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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