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Our Ref: FOI 21932
Your Ref: FOI 21920
Date: 09 October 2025

Internal Review

Re: Request for internal review of response to application for information under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, original request first notified to Staffordshire Police on 03/10/2025.

We refer to the above request which was expressed in the following terms:

Number of times that Lynn Lane, Shenstone has been closed due to protests during the period 01/07/2024 to 30/09/2025.

Further to the above, we also note the following comments made within your request for Internal Review.

We have received your FOI request response, which is blank. We receive Staffordshire (Police) Smart Alerts to our business email account which advise us of road closures in Lynn Lane, Staffordshire on a regular basis. Therefore, how can Staffordshire Police hold no information about the road closures? You will have command and control logs or some other information that is being held for the Smart Alert info. Please would you revise the request before we go to the Commissioner about your lack of response.

Our Response

Upon review of your request for information under the Freedom of Information provision referenced above and all corresponding communication, we are of the opinion that the response issued, alongside all clarification provided, fully answers the terms of your request.

However, in order to address your question ‘Therefore, how can Staffordshire Police hold no information about the road closures, we provide the following:

Having reviewed the Staffordshire Smart Alert webpage we note that this states: ‘Staffordshire Smart Alert allows Staffordshire Police, local authorities, Neighbourhood Watch and other public organisations to keep you informed about issues affecting your local area’. This would indicate that alerts from multiple agencies across Staffordshire are able to provide input and alerts, not just Staffordshire Police.

In order to assist you further, a link to National Highways was provided as this agency is responsible for managing road closures and you may wish to submit a further request to this organisation for the information you require.



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Please be advised that all FOI requests and response letters are published on the Staffordshire Police website although personal details are not included.

If you are not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner to investigate. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

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