

22 September 2025

FOI Ref 21864

Request - You asked us the following:

It would be good to know what the Anti-social behaviour stats are for the Biddulph Moor Village Green during the time when the old bench was there - we think it was 1995 but no-one can be precise. Could we have the stats for say 1995-2000? I have had a look on line to try to submit a FOI request but I am confused by the website as it points to much more recent stats. Can you use this e-mail as my request please?

I think it would be useful to speak to a police officer for their opinion on whether a bench might cause anti-social behaviour. Perhaps an officer could contact me for a chat?

We received your request on 18/09/2025 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

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

Staffordshire Police does not hold the requested information.

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Please note that anti-social behaviour records are stored under the Management of Police Information (MoPI) category 3 and are therefore destroyed after 6 years. Please find further information relating to Staffordshire Police's retention schedule here: <https://www.staffordshire.police.uk/SysSiteAssets/media/downloads/staffordshire/privacy/retention-schedule.pdf>

- I think it would be useful to speak to a police officer for their opinion on whether a bench might cause anti-social behaviour. Perhaps an officer could contact me for a chat? – **No information held.**

Please note that the FOI Act 2000 only extends to requests for recorded information. It does not require public authorities to create information to answer questions generally; only if the information is already held in recorded form.

Advice and assistance

Section 16 of the Act places an obligation upon the Authority to provide advice and assistance, in order to comply with this obligation please see below.

You may be able to use the following link to request contact from an officer in your local area: <https://www.staffordshire.police.uk/area/your-area/staffordshire/staffordshire-moorlands/biddulph-town/contact-us/top-reported-crimes-in-this-area>. If you click 'Contact Us', then 'Suggest or request a community contact session', this should direct you to the current contact form.

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:

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 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 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 20 working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 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, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.



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4. Conclusion of the Appeal

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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