

4 August 2026

FOI Ref 23216

Request - You asked Staffordshire Police (SP) the following:

For the period 1 January 2020 to the date of your response, please provide the following information relating to The Max & George Trust, *****, or any person acting on behalf of the organisation (including any trading names used).

1. Has the force ever referred, transferred or otherwise arranged for a dog to be taken into the care of The Max & George Trust?
2. Has the force ever had any formal or informal arrangement with The Max & George Trust for the temporary or permanent care, kennelling or rehoming of dogs?
3. If the answer to either of the above is yes, please provide, for each dog:
 - Date (or month/year if exact date is not recorded)
 - Breed or type (if recorded)
 - General reason for the referral or transfer (if recorded)
 - Outcome for the dog (if recorded)
4. Please provide copies of any contracts, agreements, memoranda of understanding, policies, guidance or referral protocols relating to such arrangements.
5. If no recorded information is held, please confirm this.

SP received your request on 03/08/2026 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

SP's response to your enquiry is as follows:

SP holds the requested information.

- For the period 1 January 2020 to the date of your response, please provide the following information relating to The Max & George Trust, *****, or any person acting on behalf of the organisation (including any trading names used).
- 1. Has the force ever referred, transferred or otherwise arranged for a dog to be taken into the care of The Max & George Trust?
– **Disclosed, no.**
- 2. Has the force ever had any formal or informal arrangement with The Max & George Trust for the temporary or permanent care, kennelling or rehoming of dogs?
– **Disclosed, no.**



- 3. If the answer to either of the above is yes, please provide, for each dog:
 - - Date (or month/year if exact date is not recorded)
 - - Breed or type (if recorded)
 - - General reason for the referral or transfer (if recorded)
 - - Outcome for the dog (if recorded)
 - - **Not applicable.**
- 4. Please provide copies of any contracts, agreements, memoranda of understanding, policies, guidance or referral protocols relating to such arrangements.
 - - **Not applicable.**
- 5. If no recorded information is held, please confirm this
 - - **As above.**

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.



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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

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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Information Access Team