

5 January 2026

FOI Ref 22258

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

For each of the past five calendar years (, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 2025), please provide:

1. The total number of occasions on which police officers attended, or were dispatched to, schools within the force area following a call for service or incident report.
2. Where recorded and available within the cost limit, a breakdown of these figures by:
 - * Year
 - * Type of school (for example: primary, secondary, special schools, pupil referral units) For the purposes of this request, "schools" should be taken to mean state-funded and independent primary and secondary schools, including academies and free schools.

For each of the past five calendar years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025), please provide:

1. The number of police officers or police staff deployed by the force with a primary or dedicated role relating to school safety, schools liaison, or policing in schools.
2. Where recorded and available within the cost limit, please provide:
 - * The job title(s) used for these roles (for example, School Liaison Officer, Safer Schools Officer, School Safety Officer, Youth Engagement Officer)
 - * Whether these roles were full-time or part-time
 - * Whether the posts were officer roles, police staff roles, or a mixture of both If the force does not deploy dedicated school-based officers or staff, please state this explicitly.

Please provide the information in an excel spreadsheet format, where possible.

SP received your request on 17/12/2025 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

SP's response to your enquiry is as follows:

SP holds/does not hold the requested information.

For each of the past five calendar years (, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 2025), please provide:

- 1. The total number of occasions on which police officers attended, or were dispatched to, schools within the force area following a call for service or incident report. – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22258 Officers in Schools Data.xlsx'.**
- 2. Where recorded and available within the cost limit, a breakdown of these figures by:
 - * Year

* Type of school (for example: primary, secondary, special schools, pupil referral units) For the purposes of this request, "schools" should be taken to mean state-funded and independent primary and secondary schools, including academies and free schools. – **Partially disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22258 Officers in Schools Data.xlsx'. Please note that we do not hold information on the type of school.**

For each of the past five calendar years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025), please provide:

- 1. The number of police officers or police staff deployed by the force with a primary or dedicated role relating to school safety, schools liaison, or policing in schools. – **Disclosed, nil.**
- 2. Where recorded and available within the cost limit, please provide:
 - * The job title(s) used for these roles (for example, School Liaison Officer, Safer Schools Officer, School Safety Officer, Youth Engagement Officer)
 - * Whether these roles were full-time or part-time
 - * Whether the posts were officer roles, police staff roles, or a mixture of both If the force does not deploy dedicated school-based officers or staff, please state this explicitly. – **Not applicable.**

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 incidents 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



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

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

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