

16 January 2026

FOI Ref 22304

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

I would like to request a full list of crimes reported in Staffordshire on New Years Eve into New Years Day. If it's possible to include the name of crime, gender of the victim, suspect, ages and the outcome

I would like to request the total number of 999 calls made in the Staffordshire between 6:00 PM on New Year's Eve and 6:00 AM on 1 January 2025.

Please provide the following information relating to incidents attended between 6:00 PM on 31 December and 6:00 AM on 1 January, within the Staffordshire Police force area:

The average response times for incidents, broken down by incident grade (for example, immediate and priority).

The number of incidents attended within the target response times, broken down by incident grade.

The number of incidents that were downgraded due to demand or resourcing pressures during this time period.

Clarification requested on 08/01/2026:

Please clarify if it is the gender of the victim and suspect age, or if it is the gender of both the victim and suspect that has been requested?

Also has ages been requested for both the victim and suspect or just the suspect from the above?

Clarification received on 08/01/2026:

Thanks for getting it touch.

To confirm, it's both for the victim and suspect.

SP received your request on 01/01/2026 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.

- I would like to request a full list of crimes reported in Staffordshire on New Years Eve into New Years Day. If it's possible to include the name of crime, gender of the victim, suspect, ages and the outcome – **Partially disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22304 New Year's Eve Crimes Data.xlsx'.**

- I would like to request the total number of 999 calls made in the Staffordshire between 6:00 PM on New Year's Eve and 6:00 AM on 1 January 2025. - **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22304 New Year's Eve Crimes Data.xlsx'.**

Please provide the following information relating to incidents attended between 6:00 PM on 31 December and 6:00 AM on 1 January, within the Staffordshire Police force area:

- The average response times for incidents, broken down by incident grade (for example, immediate and priority). - **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22304 New Year's Eve Crimes Data.xlsx'.**
- The number of incidents attended within the target response times, broken down by incident grade. - **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22304 New Year's Eve Crimes Data.xlsx'.**
- The number of incidents that were downgraded due to demand or resourcing pressures during this time period. - **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file titled 'FOI 22304 New Year's Eve Crimes Data.xlsx'.**

The following exemption has been applied:

In accordance with Section 17(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a refusal notice for parts of this particular request.

- Section 30(1)(a)(b) – Criminal Investigations
- Section 30 is qualified and class based and, as such, we are required to apply the public interest test.

Public Interest Test

Factors favouring disclosure under Section 30(1)(a)(b)

Disclosure of the information would improve the public's knowledge and understanding of the investigatory process and, as all police investigations are publicly funded, would show how public funds are being spent.

Factors favouring non-disclosure under Section 30(1)(a)(b)

Disclosure of the requested information would prejudice how investigations are carried out in the future. SP is charged with enforcing the law, preventing and detecting crime and protecting the communities we serve. Any release of information relating to ongoing investigations could prejudice and undermine those investigations. The prevention and detection of such matters could therefore be hindered and therefore risk interference with evidence, which could have detrimental impact on future investigations. In addition, the right to a fair trial could be undermined.

Balance test

Disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act is a release of information to the world in general and not an individual applicant. Having considered the public interest factors we are required to determine

whether on balance the factors favouring disclosure outweigh those which are against disclosure. It is our view that the factors favouring disclosure do not outweigh those which favour non-disclosure.

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

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



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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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