



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

23 January 2026

FOI Ref 22414

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

On 18/01/2026 a huge multi emergency service response was held to an address [REDACTED] in Wombourne. The property was empty. Entry was gained. There has currently been no follow up or any explanation as to why this took place. The immediate two local residents have concerns over who they live in extremely close proximity to. One being [REDACTED] and the other with [REDACTED]

Should there be any cause for concern on the safety of these residents?

What was the initial 999 call concerning to make emergency services deploy so many people?

Event took place 18/01/2026 at approx. 0445.

SP received your request on 19/01/2026 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.

- On 18/01/2026 a huge multi emergency service response was held to an address [REDACTED] in Wombourne. The property was empty. Entry was gained. There has currently been no follow up or any explanation as to why this took place. The immediate two local residents have concerns over who they live in extremely close proximity to. One being [REDACTED] and the other with [REDACTED]
Should there be any cause for concern on the safety of these residents? – **Neither confirm nor deny.**
- What was the initial 999 call concerning to make emergency services deploy so many people? – **Neither confirm nor deny.**

SP can neither confirm nor deny that it holds the information you requested as it believes that the duty under s1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the duty to confirm whether the public authority holds information of the specified description) does not apply.

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 this request.

- **Section 40(5) Personal Information**

Section 40(5) is an absolute exemption which means that there is no need to quantify the harm that may arise from the disclosure; neither is it subject to a public interest test.

To release personal or third-party information that may or may not be held by SP, would breach the data protection principles; namely –

- Data is lawfully and fairly processed.
- Processed in line with an individual's rights.
- Data is secure.

Personal and third-party information cannot be released under the Freedom of Information Act.

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

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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