

3 July 2026

FOI Ref 23037

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

I would like to request information relating to any contracts Staffordshire police force has or has had with Palantir Technologies Inc or Palantir Technologies UK, since 2009. I am requesting this data under the Freedom of Information Act.

**1. Contracts and Commercial Arrangements**

A list of all current and past contracts, agreements, pilot programs, or Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) between your force and Palantir. For each, please provide:

- i) The start and end dates.
- ii) The total monetary value of the contract/agreement.
- iii) The specific software platforms or services provided (e.g., Palantir Gotham, Palantir Foundry, Palantir Apollo, AIP, or involvement in the 'Nectar' project).
- iv) A summary of the scope of work outlining what Palantir was contracted to do.

**2. Reviews and Evaluations**

Please provide copies of any internal or independent reviews, audits, or evaluations assessing the performance, value for money, or operational effectiveness of Palantir's software or pilot programs. This includes, but is not limited to:

Outcome reports or post-implementation reviews of pilot programs (such as 'Project Nectar').

Any ethical reviews or minutes from ethics committees discussing the deployment of Palantir software or its underlying artificial intelligence capabilities.

I am aware that some UK police forces have previously relied on Section 24 (National Security) and Section 31 (Law Enforcement) to issue "Neither Confirm Nor Deny" (NCND) responses regarding Palantir.

I respectfully remind you that several UK police forces, including Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, and Leicestershire, have already publicly confirmed their use of Palantir's services (such as the 'Nectar' pilot). This establishes a clear precedent that confirming a commercial relationship with this vendor does not inherently prejudice law enforcement or national security.

Furthermore, Palantir is a well-known provider of AI-enabled analytics. The National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) Covenant for Using Artificial Intelligence in Policing, endorsed by all UK forces, explicitly states

that 'transparency and fairness must be at the heart of what we implement, to ensure a proportionate and responsible use that builds public confidence'.

It states in 'Principle B. Transparent: All use of AI will be subject to 'Maximum Transparency by Default' (MTbD)'

And

'B1. Forces should ensure the public are aware of AI uses. This will typically include publishing an overview of the algorithms used and the known limitations of the training data used.'

An NCND response would directly contradict this public commitment.

SP received your request on 23/06/2026 and have processed this under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

SP's response to your enquiry is as follows:

**SP does not hold the requested information.**

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- **Not applicable.**
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- Any ethical reviews or minutes from ethics committees discussing the deployment of Palantir software or its underlying artificial intelligence capabilities. - **No information held.**

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](mailto: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.

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



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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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