



2 June 2026

FOI Ref 22940

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

In relation to your driver training department, can you please tell me:

1. How many instructors there are?
2. What the split is between officers and staff instructors?
3. Is the chief driving instructor a police officer or police staff?
4. If the chief driving instructor is police staff, what is their annual salary?
5. How many officers there are in your force?
6. How many advanced cars does the driver training unit have?
7. How many response cars does the driver training unit have?
8. How many Cat-B vans does the driver training unit have?
9. How many Cat-D vans does the driver training unit have?
10. How many motorcycles does the driver training unit have?
11. Do you outsource any of your driving courses to private companies?
12. Do you provide driver training to other police forces?
13. Do you send any of your officers to other police forces to be driver trained?
14. If (13) is yes, for what course?

SP received your request on 01/06/2026 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.

1. How many instructors there are?
Disclosed: 13 – rising to 15 once vacant posts are filled
2. What the split is between officers and staff instructors?
Disclosed: - All are staff instructors
3. Is the chief driving instructor a police officer or police staff?
Disclosed: - Police Staff
4. If the chief driving instructor is police staff, what is their annual salary?
Disclosed: - £40,383 to £47,046 depending where on the scale they are.
5. How many officers there are in your force?
Disclosed: - 2076
6. How many advanced cars does the driver training unit have?
Disclosed: - 7
7. How many response cars does the driver training unit have?
Disclosed: - 11
8. How many Cat-B vans does the driver training unit have?



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

Disclosed: - 1

9. How many Cat-D vans does the driver training unit have?

Disclosed: - 1

10. How many motorcycles does the driver training unit have?

Disclosed: - 2, with a further one on order

11. Do you outsource any of your driving courses to private companies?

Disclosed: - No

12. Do you provide driver training to other police forces?

Disclosed: - Yes

13. Do you send any of your officers to other police forces to be driver trained?

Disclosed: - No

14. If (13) is yes, for what course? **Not applicable**

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



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

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/>

Freedom of Information
Information Access Team