

8 September 2026

FOI Ref 23261

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

Dear FOI team - in this case please ignore Question 1 and provide responses for all the other questions.

ORIGINAL REQUEST

My query relates to data on drug facilitated sexual assault. I appreciate there is no Home Office crime code specifically for this and so I am asking you to cross check particular crimes with key word searches in the text fields.

I would like all of the following data broken down for each calendar year from 2015 to 2025, and Jan to June 2016.

1. For each year: The number of incidents reported of rape or sexual assault where the log also contains any of the following key words: "sleep" OR "drugged" OR "drug facilitated" (on your incident logs)
2. For each of the above (broken down by year), how many of these incidents were then logged as crimes? (on your crime recording system)
3. For each of the crime reports (in questions 2), how many: a. Proceeded to investigation, b. Proceeded to prosecution, c. were logged as No Further Action
4. For each year - how many a. Incidents logged, and b. Crimes logged for "conspiracy
5. to rape"
6. For each year - how many a. Incidents logged, and b. Crimes logged for "conspiracy
7. to administer a substance with intent"
8. For each year - how many a. Incidents logged, and b. Crimes logged for "administering a substance with intent to engage in sexual activity"

Clarification Received 01/09/2026:

Thanks - yes please provide all of the below, broken down by year 2015 - mid 2026

We can provide data from 2015 for the below:

1. A free-text search can be conducted within our incident recording system using the terms 'sleep', 'drugged' or 'drug facilitated', where the call type description includes rape or sexual assault. Any resulting incidents can then be provided to determine whether they were subsequently recorded as crimes on our crime recording system.

2. Data can be extracted from our crime/occurrence recording system for all rape offences and broken down by outcome and a yearly breakdown.
3. Lastly, data can be extracted from our crime/occurrence recording system for the offence '088/05 - 88C - Administering a substance with intent - Sexual Offences Act 2003 Sec 61', broken down by outcome and a yearly breakdown.

SP received your request on 13/08/2026 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.

Thanks - yes please provide all of the below, broken down by year 2015 - mid 2026 – **Disclosed, please be advised that this data has been provided up to 30th June 2026.**

We can provide data from 2015 for the below:

1. A free-text search can be conducted within our incident recording system using the terms 'sleep', 'drugged' or 'drug facilitated', where the call type description includes rape or sexual assault. Any resulting incidents can then be provided to determine whether they were subsequently recorded as crimes on our crime recording system. – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 23261 Drug Facilitated Sexual Assaults Data'.**

Please be advised all incidents have been recorded on our crime recording database.

2. Data can be extracted from our crime/occurrence recording system for all rape offences and broken down by outcome and a yearly breakdown. – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 23261 Drug Facilitated Sexual Assaults Data'.**
3. Lastly, data can be extracted from our crime/occurrence recording system for the offence '088/05 - 88C - Administering a substance with intent - Sexual Offences Act 2003 Sec 61', broken down by outcome and a yearly breakdown. – **Disclosed, please see the accompanying file entitled 'FOI 23261 Drug Facilitated Sexual Assaults Data'.**

Please note that these figures have been provided to the best of the ability of SP, subject to the limitation of current recording protocols and systems and software. Additional incidents or offences 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 figures presented are accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that data is 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.

All Freedom of Information request responses are published on the SP website although personal details are not included.



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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.

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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