

3 September 2026

FOI Ref 23313

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

Please provide the following for the financial year 2025-26 (1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026):

1. The total amount your force invoiced football clubs for policing at their grounds, and the total amount actually received.
2. A breakdown by individual football club within your force area.

This covers special police services provided under section 25 of the Police Act 1996.

A spreadsheet is fine. If your force area contains no football clubs a short confirmation to that effect is all I need.

Note: My definition of "football clubs" is all teams in the top 5 tiers of the football pyramid – The Premier League, The Championship, Leagues One and Two, and the National League)

SP received your request on 26/08/2026 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.

Please provide the following for the financial year 2025-26 (1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026):

1. The total amount your force invoiced football clubs for policing at their grounds, and the total amount actually received.
- Disclosed: £137,937.24 both invoiced and received.

2. A breakdown by individual football club within your force area.
- Disclosed: Stoke City Football Club was the only football club to be invoiced by Staffordshire Police in the financial year 25/26.

This data has been provided to the best of the ability of SP, subject to the limitation of current recording protocols and systems and software.

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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