

9 September 2026

FOI Ref 23350

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

For each of the financial years 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26, please provide:

1. The number of police officers found through misconduct or disciplinary proceedings to have falsely claimed overtime, falsified timesheets or attendance records, or otherwise claimed payment for hours they had not worked.
2. The total value of pay or overtime found to have been falsely claimed by those officers, where recorded.
3. The number of those officers who were dismissed.

For the FIVE cases involving the largest amounts falsely claimed during the three-year period, please provide:

- A. The rank or job title of the officer, for example constable, detective constable or sergeant.
- B. The amount falsely claimed.
- C. A brief anonymised description of the conduct, where held.
- D. The disciplinary outcome.

NOTE: Please do not include data relating to police staff. This request relates only to police officers.

SP received your request on 07/09/2026 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. The number of police officers found through misconduct or disciplinary proceedings to have falsely claimed overtime, falsified timesheets or attendance records, or otherwise claimed payment for hours they had not worked.

- Disclosed: 2023/24 - 1 officer.

2. The total value of pay or overtime found to have been falsely claimed by those officers, where recorded.

- No information held as this cannot be quantified.



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

3. The number of those officers who were dismissed.

- **Disclosed: None.**

For the FIVE cases involving the largest amounts falsely claimed during the three-year period, please provide:

A. The rank or job title of the officer, for example constable, detective constable or sergeant.

- **Disclosed: Police Constable.**

B. The amount falsely claimed.

- **No information held as this cannot be quantified.**

C. A brief anonymised description of the conduct, where held.

- **Disclosed: Given permission to go home part way through duty to complete online training. However, despite going home, failed to undertake the training.**

D. The disciplinary outcome.

- **Disclosed: Given a 5-year final written warning.**

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



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

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/>

Freedom of Information
Information Access Team