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I write in connection with your request for information dated 30th July concerning officers as victims of crimes (namely GBH, Attempted Murder & Murder).

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Your request for information has now been considered, and having consulted our professional standards team, I am happy to supply the information you have requested.

You wrote:

Can you please state how many police officers have been victims of a crime in the past five years?

Can you please break it down per year?

And can you please indicate how many incidents there have been, in each year, for each offence?

I'm particularly keen to know how many officers have been the victim of GBH, attempted murder and murder over the past five years.

I'd still like these broken down over the past five years please.

If you need to focus on these specific offences, that is acceptable.



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Response

Reported.Year	OffenceDescription	Crimes	Incidents
	Totals	127	17
	Assault a constable in the execution of his / her duty	126	17
2016	Assault constable - ABH	1	0
	Totals	263	18
	Assault a constable in the execution of his / her duty	158	12
2017	Assault constable - ABH	105	6
	Totals	321	20
	Assault a constable in the execution of his / her duty	141	11
	Assault constable - ABH	147	6
	Assault constable - malicious wounding (sec 20 GBH)	1	0
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to do GBH (sec 18)	2	0
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to resist/prevent arrest (sec 18)	0	2
2018	Assault or assault by beating of a constable (Assaults on Emergency Workers (Offences) Act 2018 Sec 1)	30	1
	Totals	394	34
	Assault a constable in the execution of his / her duty	4	6
	Assault constable - ABH	155	9
	Assault constable - malicious wounding (sec 20 GBH)	0	2
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to do GBH (sec 18)	0	1
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to resist/prevent arrest (sec 18)	1	0
	Assault emergency worker - ABH	3	0
2019	Assault or assault by beating of a constable (Assaults on Emergency Workers (Offences) Act 2018 Sec 1)	232	16
	Totals	425	23
	Assault constable - ABH	129	3
	Assault constable - malicious wounding (sec 20 GBH)	1	0
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to do GBH (sec 18)	4	0
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to resist/prevent arrest (sec 18)	2	0
	Assault emergency worker - ABH	51	2
2020	Assault or assault by beating of a constable (Assaults on Emergency	238	18

Workers (Offences) Act 2018 Sec 1)

	Totals	265	14
	Assault constable - ABH	79	5
	Assault constable - wounding with intent to do GBH (sec 18)	1	0
	Assault emergency worker - ABH	40	1
	Assault emergency worker - malicious wounding (sec 20 GBH)	1	0
	Assault emergency worker - wounding with intent to resist/prevent arrest (sec 18)	1	1
	Assault or assault by beating of a constable (Assaults on Emergency		
2021	Workers (Offences) Act 2018 Sec 1)	143	7

Please note that 'Assaults on Emergency Workers' does also include other emergency workers and are not just police officers.

There have been no murders or attempted murders of Police Officers during the dates specified. However an officer in 2018 was poisoned in the line of duty at the inception of the Novichok Poisoning's in Salisbury, Wiltshire.

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and been considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely,

Force Disclosure Decision Maker

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.



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Freedom of Information Request Appeals Procedure

1. Who Can Ask for a Review

Any person who has requested information from Wiltshire Police, 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 to the:

Force Disclosure Unit
Wiltshire Police Headquarters,
London Road, Devizes,
Wiltshire,
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Email at disclosure@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk.

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 Force Disclosure Unit within 20 working days of the Force's response to the original FoI request.

3. Review Procedure

Receipt of a request for review will be acknowledged in writing to include confirmation of the reasons for the review. The review will be conducted by another Decision Maker, who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Force Disclosure Unit 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 40 working days.

The Independent Decision Maker 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, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.

4. Conclusion of the Appeal

On completion of the review the Independent Decision Maker will reply to the complainant with the result of the review. If the complainant 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 details:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
Fax: 01625 524 510
Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

Please note that the ICO's offices will be closed for the foreseeable future and are therefore unable to receive correspondence via post.

If you should wish you contact them, please visit <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>