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By email

Date: 6th September 2021

Our ref: FOI 2021/701

Reply contact name is: Abigail Standidge

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 26th August 2021, concerning hate crimes.

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.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by the Business Intelligence department at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please tell me:

1) The total number of hate motivated incidents and crimes recorded in the years (please provide a monthly breakdown of possible):

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

2) How many of those cases recorded were incidents of homophobia in the years (please provide a monthly breakdown of possible):

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021



3) From those cases above in relation to homophobic attacks, how many resulted in a conviction in the years:

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

3) How many of those cases recorded were incidents of racism in the years: (please provide a monthly breakdown of possible):

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

4) From those cases above in relation to racist attacks, how many resulted in a conviction in the years:

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

5) How many cases of LGBT domestic abuse complaints have been recorded by the force in the years:

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

6) How many cases of hate crime linked to football have been recorded for the years (please provide a monthly breakdown of possible):

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

Please supply an additional information such as where the incident took place, such as a football stadium.

7) From those cases above in relation to hate crime linked to football, how many resulted in a conviction in the years:

July 2018- July 2019

July 2019- July 2020

July 2020 - July 2021

Our response

See attached Excel spreadsheet for response to questions 1, 2 and 4.

Please note:

One crime or incident can have more than one NICL qualifier attached (i.e. one occurrence could have sexual orientation and transgender qualifiers attached etc) and therefore the figures may not add up exactly.

Wiltshire Police:

- Do not list incidents as being 'homophobia' - this would be listed under 'sexual orientation'.
- Do not list incidents as being 'LGBT' - these would be listed under 'sexual orientation' and/or 'transgender'.
- Cannot provide information regarding hate crime and whether it is linked to football, without completing a 'wildcard' or 'summary' search. These searches are not considered accurate or reliable, as they only search the MO field of an occurrence report. Therefore, if the term was misspelt or contained within the main body of the report, the occurrence would not be returned in the results.
- Cannot provide information on conviction data. This information would need to be obtained from the Courts.

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

Abigail Standidge
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,
SN10 2DN

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/>