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XXXXXXXXX
By email

Date: 6th December 2021

Our ref: FOI 2021/977

Reply contact name is: Abigail Standidge

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 22nd November 2021, concerning decommissioned vehicles and car dealerships.

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 Head of Fleet at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote:

Part 1 - Can you please give a list of the places do Wiltshire Police Vehicles go after Decommissioned or being auction?

Part 2 - Can you please give a list of Car Dealerships that you purchase Vehicles from 1990-present to covert them into Wiltshire Police Vehicles?

Clarification, received 22/11/2021

Sorry I meant "convert". Not covert.

Our response

Part 1 - Can you please give a list of the places do Wiltshire Police Vehicles go after Decommissioned or being auction?

Vehicles are auctioned through a national contract with Brightwell's auctions.

Vehicles that need to be disposed of where they can no longer be used or repaired (write-offs), are sent to Synetiq (Police vehicle recycling firm) where the vehicles are stripped of all serviceable parts; then other forces can purchase green fleet parts.

Part 2 - Can you please give a list of Car Dealerships that you purchase Vehicles from 1990-present to covert them into Wiltshire Police Vehicles?



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The vehicles are purchased directly from the manufacture, not through the dealerships. There is a national procurement framework in place to ensure best value; this is handled through Blue Light Commercial.

In 1990 the commissioning/conversion of the Wiltshire Police vehicles took place in house at the Police Workshops in Devizes. In recent years (approximately 2000 onwards) some vehicles have been purchased from the manufacture as a turnkey police car, an option that is offered on certain models within the framework. The vehicle comes fully kitted out and all we are required to do is fit the coms units and livery to distinguish it as a Wiltshire Police car. The manufactures use their own converters for this work. If we require a conversion to be done outside of what is offered by the vehicle manufacture turnkey option, we will carry out an in-house conversion or use an outside contractor. In previous years Wiltshire Police have used Halls Electrical, Jack Hodson and Vehicle Developments.

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:

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Wiltshire Police Headquarters,
London Road, Devizes,
Wiltshire,
SN10 2DN

Email at disclosure@wiltshire.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
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SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
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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/>