

**Force Disclosure Unit**

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Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2022 / 250

Dear ***,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18th March 2022 concerning Modern Slavery.

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 Business Intelligence Unit I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

My request concerns arrests for offences under the Modern Slavery Act 2015.

Please provide the total number of arrests your force made for offences under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 between 1 February 2018 and 1 February 2022, with the data broken down into a year-by-year basis, i.e 1 February 2018 - 1 February 2019, 1 February 2019 - 1 February 2020 etc.

Please also break down this arrest data by specific offence under the Act between 1 February 2018 and 1 February 2022, again with the data broken down into a year-by-year basis, i.e 1 February 2018 - 1 February 2019, 1 February 2019 - 1 February 2020 etc.

Our response:

This data relates to arrests made between 1st February 2018 – 31st January 2019.

The offences searched are as listed below and only offences that had arrests attached to them are shown.

Arrest Year	Offence Description	No. of Arrests
2018	Require person to perform forced or compulsory labour	3
2018	Arrange or facilitate travel of another person with a view to exploitation	8



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	Total number of arrests	11
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This data relates to arrests made between 1st February 2019 – 31st January 2020

The offences searched are as listed below and only offences that had arrests attached to them are shown.

Arrest Year	Offence Description	No. of Arrests
2019	Require person to perform forced or compulsory labour	3
2019	Arrange or facilitate travel of another person with a view to exploitation	3
	Total number of arrests	6

This data relates to arrests made between 1st February 2020 – 31st January 2021

The offences searched are as listed below and only offences that had arrests attached to them are shown.

Arrest Year	Offence Description	No. of Arrests
2020	Require person to perform forced or compulsory labour	2
2020	Arrange or facilitate travel of another person with a view to exploitation	6
2020	Hold person in slavery or servitude	1
2021	Arrange or facilitate travel of another person with a view to exploitation	1
	Total number of arrests	10

This data relates to arrests made between 1st February 2021 – 31st January 2022

The offences searched are as listed below and only offences that had arrests attached to them are shown.

Arrest Year	Offence Description	No. of Arrests
2021	Arrange or facilitate travel of another person with a view to exploitation	10
2021	Require person to perform forced or compulsory labour	1
	Total Number of arrests	11

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,

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 Fol 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
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