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Our ref: FOI 2022/ 517

I write in connection with your request for information dated 21st June concerning dogs

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 team and dog section, I am happy to supply the information you have requested.

You wrote:

For every financial year (April to March) from FY 2016-2017 to FY 2021-2022, please provide the following:

- The volume of dog attacks reported, investigated, dogs seized, and charges made
- The volume of dogs dangerously out of control reported, investigated, dogs seized, and charges made.

Response:

REPORTED

OffenceDescription	Reported.FiscalYear	Crimes	Incidents
In charge of dog out of control in ANY place injuring any person or assistance dog	Totals	1663	110
	2015-2016	42	1
	2016-2017	223	17
	2017-2018	255	16
	2018-2019	246	14
	2019-2020	291	21
	2020-2021	290	15
	2021-2022	316	26



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

INVESTIGATED

OffenceDescription	Reported.FiscalYear	Crimes	Incidents
In charge of dog out of control in ANY place injuring any person or assistance dog	Totals	1626	108
	2015-2016	37	0
	2016-2017	218	16
	2017-2018	248	16
	2018-2019	241	14
	2019-2020	284	21
	2020-2021	282	15
	2021-2022	316	26

DOGS SEIZED

2016 17
2017 13
2018 7
2019 7
2020 15
2021 26
2022: 10 (as of 12/07/2022)

Please note we do not hold charging data – please contact CPS for such information.

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,
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/>