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Date 24/02/2023

Our ref **FOI 2023/114**

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19/01/2023 concerning Police staff/Officers accused of sexual offences.

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 Professional Standards Department at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote:

Could I please have the information sent back to me on email, as a year on year breakdown:

- 1) The number of police staff employees and police officers accused of sexual offences (including rape, assault, causing sexual activity without consent, rape and other offences against children under 13, child sex offences, abuse of position of trust, indecent photographs of children, sexual exploitation of children, prostitution and 'other' offences including exposure) since January 20th 2018 to now, including their job title and rank.
- 2) A breakdown of what exactly the offence was (e.g. sexual harassment, indecent exposure, rape).
- 3) How many faced subsequent proceedings, and what were these proceedings? Can you include in detail a breakdown of how many were arrested, charged, released without charges or jailed and when.

Response

Year complaint lodged	Allegation	Criminal Investigation	Arrest / Charge	Outcome
2018	Rape	Yes	Arrest	Not upheld
	Rape	No	No	Not upheld
	Sexual Assault	No	No	Not upheld
	Sexual Assault	No	No	Discontinued
	Rape	Yes	No	Not upheld
	Possession of Indecent Images	Yes	Arrest and Charged	Convicted
	Misconduct in a Public Office	Yes	Arrest and Charged	Dismissed and convicted
2019	Abuse of Position for sexual purpose	No	No	Dismissed August 2020
	Making indecent images of children	Yes	Arrest and Charge	Convicted
	Sexual Assault	No	No	Dismissed July 2021
	Sexual Assault	No	No	Not upheld
2020	Sexual Assault	No	No	No further action
	Sexual Assault	Yes	No	No case to answer
	Rape	Yes	Arrest	No case to answer
	Misconduct in a public office	Yes	Arrest and charge	Dismissed and imprisoned
2021	Sexual Assault	No	No	No further action
	Sexual Harassment	No	No	Case to answer
	Sexual Assault	No	No	No case to answer
	Sexual Assault	No	No	Dismissed June 2022

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2022	Engage in sexual communication with a child	Yes	Arrest	No further action
	Rape	No	No	Complaint withdrawn
	Sexual Assault	No	No	No case to answer
	Sexual Assault	No	No	No case to answer

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.

Force Disclosure Unit

Wiltshire Police HQ, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 2DN
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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.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

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Tel: 01625 545 700
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Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

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