



WILTSHIRE POLICE

Force Disclosure Unit

Police Headquarters
London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

Date: 24th February 2023

Ref: FOI 2023/229

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 16th February 2023 concerning stolen cars.

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 after having consulted the Performance Team – I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

1. How many cars did you have reported as stolen in your police force area in 2020, 2021 and 2022?
2. How many cars have you had reported as stolen in your police force area in 2023 (at point of responding to FOI)?

Our response:

Offence Description	2020		2021		2022		2023 (so far)	
	Crime	Niche Incident	Crime	Niche Incident	Crime	Niche Incident	Crime	Niche Incident
Aggravated vehicle taking where only aggravating factor is criminal damage of £5000 or under	6	2	7	-	1	-	-	-
Aggravated vehicle taking	39	2	37	5	18	-	4	-
Aggravated vehicle taking (driving/being carried) offences causing damage to	-	-	2	-	14	-	2	-

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vehicle and/or other property under £5000								
Theft of a motor vehicle	-	-	-	-	304	39	90	1
Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle	443	64	375	47	159	22	-	-
Unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle (does not include 'driving or being carried knowing motor vehicle has been taken...')	-	-	-	-	44	1	9	-

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.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.

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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