

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Via Email



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Date 14/08/2023

Our ref FOI 2023/837

Reply contact name is:

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information, dated 22/08/2023, concerning civil orders.

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, searches were conducted with the neighbourhood Harm Reduction Unit and the legal services department of Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and it is not possible to meet your requirements in full.

You wrote:

I hope you are well. I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your face:

1. The total number of civil orders issued by your force broken by year from 2018 to the most recent data available. If possible, I would appreciate it if this could be broken down by type of civil order issued.
2. The total number of complaints that were logged against officers at your force by year from 2018 to the most recent data available, if feasible, broken down by the nature of category of the complaint.
3. A breakdown of the outcomes of those complaints – i.e. how many led to, say, misconduct hearings or criminal prosecutions, how many led to investigations or how many had no further action taken – similarly broken down by year, as above.
4. The total number of both 'mandatory' and 'voluntary' referrals to the IOPC of cases involving officers or staff from your force broken by year from 2018 to the most recent data available. In the case of 'voluntary' referrals, if possible, a wider breakdown of the outcomes of those referrals would be appreciated (i.e. how many led IOPC to launch its own investigation, how many led to the IOPC to

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supervise a force professional standards investigation or how many cases where the IOPC declined to have input into the case in question)

Response:

The type of information you require is not stored in a way which allows for easy retrieval.

To enable us to provide a response to this request it would require a manual search using the 'summary' details box in Qlik Sense. Obtaining information regarding ASB orders has always been a challenge as there are currently no flags on Niche. We do have an Ancillary Orders data return form, but this was only created in January 2023.

Unfortunately, because some of the orders have words such as 'community' within them, this means that the search returns anything back with the word 'community'. It then requires a manual search of the information required to pull out the relevant data.

A quick search for just this year returns over 600 relevant records. Someone would need to sit down and manually check every record to see what the associated word relates to and if it is relevant for the information requested.

Under the circumstances I am absolutely confident that to locate, retrieve and extract the information you seek would by far exceed the time obligations upon this authority to comply, and in so doing would exceed the fees limits. This is set at £450 calculated at a flat rate of £25 per hour for those work activities comprising of confirming the information is held, locating it, retrieving it and extracting it. Therefore the whole of the request falls under the exemption of section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Ordinarily under our Section 16 obligation to provide advice and assistance, we would advise you of a way to refine your request to a more manageable level. However, due to the difficulties in obtaining the requested information, as outlined above, I cannot think of a way in which this could be achieved, however, as a gesture of goodwill, and to assist where possible, I have been able to provide a table regarding civil order types within the time frame given.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the Constabulary, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

The exemption applicable to the information requested is:

Section 12: Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit

(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

In accordance with section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this particular request.

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Case Recorded	Case Type	Claim Type Description
2018	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2018	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2018	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2018	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2018	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2018	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2018	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2018	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2019	Prevention Order	Dangerous Dog Application
2019	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2019	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2019	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2019	Prevention Order	Closure Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2019	Prevention Order	Slavery and Trafficking Risk Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Offence Prevention Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2019	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order

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2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2020	Prevention Order	Civil Preventative Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Dangerous Dogs Act
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Violent Offender Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2020	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2020	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order

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2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Dangerous Dogs Act
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	FGM Protection Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2021	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2021	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Drug Dealing Telecommunications Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Slavery and Trafficking Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Drug Dealing Telecommunications Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Dangerous Dogs Act
2022	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order

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2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2022	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2022	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2023	Prevention Order	Slavery and Trafficking Risk Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2023	Prevention Order	Violent Offender Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Harm Prevention Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2023	Prevention Order	Sexual Risk Order
2023	Prevention Order	Community Protection Notice
2023	Prevention Order	Stalking Prevention Order

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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.



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.

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

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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/>