

WILTSHIRE POLICE



XXXX – Via email



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Our ref: 2024-841

Reply contact name:

Dear XXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 17th September 2024 regarding shotgun and firearm revocations.

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 Firearms at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote (and our response):

How many shotgun and firearm revocations have Wiltshire police undertaken in the past year - 01/06/23 - 01/06/24.

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What policy and procedures do Wiltshire police have in place to undertake this.

As of January 24, the following was introduced to the decision making of all revocations issued by the Firearms and Explosive Licensing department:

All assessments of suitability to hold a Firearms or Shotgun Certificate where the person has come to Police notice undergo a monthly review by a board chaired by the Detective Superintendent, Head of Crime Standards and Justice. The board includes key stakeholders including the Chief Inspector, Strategic Officer of Crime Standards and Justice, Firearms and Explosives Licensing Manager, and the relevant Firearms Enquiry Officer associated with the certificate applicant or holder. This board ensures a thorough and objective decision-making process, grounded in the available evidence and aligned with the Chief Officer's statutory guidance, Firearms Licensing law, and the National Decision Model (NDM).

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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