

**Force Disclosure Unit**

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XXXXXX – by E Mail

Date: 2nd October 2024

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2024 / 863

Reply contact name is: Nick Penny

Dear XXXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 27th September 2024 concerning Sex Offenders.

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 MOSOVO / ViSOR Team - I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote (and Our Reply)

For 2022, 2023 and 2024 year to date please provide me with the following information :-

1. How many people have been removed from the sex offenders register and then re-offended?

No Information Held.

There is no obligation on an Authority to provide any rationale or explanation when supplying a NIH response, however – in this instance – I am happy to provide some additional context for you.

It is not possible to answer this question.

There is no searchable, national standard of recording a previous period of registration.

Also, offenders are transient and move in and out of force areas and we do not record when other forces require a record to be returned to 'live' for a further period on the register.



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

2. How many applications each year have there been from people wishing to be removed from the sex offenders register?

2022 8
2023 8
2024 1 to date

3. How many applications were successful each year in being removed from the sex offenders register?

2022 8
2023 5
2024 0 to date

4. For those applications that were successful in 2022, 2023 and 2024 year to date, please confirm the year of the original offence and the year of removal.

2022 - years of original offences range from 1990 to 2005
2023 - years of original offences range from 1976 to 2004
2024 – not applicable

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,

Nick Penny
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