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By email

**Force Disclosure Unit
Police Headquarters**
London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

Date 19th December 2024

Our Ref FOI 2024-1008

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 22nd November 2024, concerning missing unaccompanied migrant children.

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 Missing Persons Co-Ordinator at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote and our response:

1.)

Amended question (22.11.2024) - a) How many unaccompanied migrant children have been registered as 'missing' since January 2020? If this data is only available via FOI for more recent months or years because of improved recording - please provide me with data reaching as far back as possible AND the date from which the data stretches back.

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Amended question (22.11.2024) - b) As at 22 November or nearest possible date: How many of these people (some of whom may now be adults) are still registered as missing?

1

C) How many of these in 1.) B) have been missing for more than one month? How many have been missing for more than six months? How many have been missing for more than a year?

1 - 6 months

2)

a) Of the people in 1.) b) How many of these are still under the age of 18?

0

b) Of the people in 1.) b) How many of these are now over 18?

1

c) Of the people in 1.) b) please break down the ages at which they went missing (ie - how many went missing at age 14, how many at age 15, etc)

17 = 1

d) Please break down the figures in 1.) b) by sex

Male

e) Please break down the figures in 1.) b) by nationality

Albania = 1

f) Please break down the figures in 1.) b) by the local authority (or or other authority) from whose care they went missing.

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3)

a) Of the people in 1.) b) Please provide me with the age and nationality of the girl who was the youngest on the date she went missing. Has she been missing for more than six months? More than a year? (If data protection rules allow please also tell me in which month did she go missing?) From which local authority/other authority?

N/A

b) Of the people in 1.) b) please provide me with the age and nationality of the boy who was the youngest on the date he went missing. Has he been missing for more than six months, more than a year? (If data protection rules allow please also tell me in which month did she go missing?) From which local authority/other authority?

17, more than 6 months (at requested cut off date), December, Wiltshire Children's Services

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

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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 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
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 to contact them, please visit <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>

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