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Our ref: FOI 2025-261

Reply contact name:

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 27th February 2025 regarding sexual offences.

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 Business Intelligence at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote:

Please would you be willing to complete the attached table of outcomes with reference to the following:

1. Between the dates 1/1/23 - 31/8/24
2. Any sexual offences reported where the children are victims, under the age of 16 where the suspect is over 18 (including the making, distributing and viewing of online content)
3. The table requires the No of crimes per outcome and the average number of days the crime was live

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Our response:

Outcome	No of crimes
1: Charged/Summoned	34
3: Adult caution	1
5: Offender has died	1
8: Community resolution	0
10: Police - formal action not in public interest	0
11: Named suspect below age of criminal responsibility	0
12: Named suspect too ill to prosecute	4
13: Named suspect but victim/key witness deceased or too ill	0
14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender	0
15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	7
15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	72
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	41
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	4
20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy	17
21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest	0
22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, not in public interest to take further action	0
Ongoing	73
Total	254

Please note, there is no obligation to create data where it is not already held. We do not hold the average number of days that crimes were live, and therefore we are not obligated to provide this.

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