



WILTSHIRE POLICE

XXXXXXXX

By email

**Force Disclosure Unit
Police Headquarters**

London Road

DEVIZES

Wiltshire

SN10 2DN

Date 7th April 2025

Our Ref FOI 2025-286

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11th March 2025, concerning Officers injured on duty and compensation claims.

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 Business Intelligence and Legal Services departments 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. The number of police officers who have been injured while on duty in the last three years broken down by:

1a) Calendar years (2022, 2023, 2024)

1b) Injury Cause (for example, assault by civilian, slip,trip,fall, road traffic incident)

1c) Injury severity (serious/minor etc.)

Please note: The following data relates to the number of health and safety forms whereby an officer (regular or special) has stated a body part has been injured, from 1st January 2022 and 31st December 2024.

1a - Year	Volume of Forms
2022	216
2023	203
2024	265
Grand Total	684

1b - Incident Cause	Volume of Forms
Bite	58

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Broken Glass	12
Chasing	12
Climbing	6
Collision	21
Equipment	6
Explosion	3
Fall	76
Falling Object	3
Forcing Entry	6
Foreign Body	6
Impaled	1
Kicked	67
Lifting and Handling	20
Moving Vehicle	7
Needle	3
Rescue	3
Resisting Arrest	87
Restraining Prisoner	98
RTA	13
Searching	4
Seating	1
Slip	9
Struck	70
Sudden Movement	11
Training Exercise	42
Trapped	10
Trip	10
Unknown	19
Grand Total	684

1c - Length of Recovery	Volume of Forms
Unknown	356
less than 3 days	312
More than 7 days	16
Grand Total	684

2. The number of compensation claims made by police officers for injuries sustained on duty broken down by calendar years (2022, 2023, 2024)

2022 - 1

2023 - 2

2024 - 1

2a) The number of settled claims, refused claims and amount of compensation awarded broken down by years as above.

All 4 claims were settled and compensation awarded per year as follows:

2022 - £5,000

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2023 - £82,450

2024 - £840

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

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.



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Wiltshire Police HQ, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 2DN



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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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