

WILTSHIRE POLICE



XXXXXXX
By email

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

Date 17th April 2025

Our Ref FOI 2025-371

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 2nd April 2025, concerning violence against women and girls.

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 department at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote and our response:

Please note:

- The data for the second question is based on the crime group 'sexual offences', sub-group 'other sexual offences' (non-rape) then with the word 'assault' in the offence description.
- The replies for questions 6 to 8 have been provided by reading the occurrence logs and suspect details on the recording system.

Please could the figures for these questions be broken down by year to include 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024?

How many VAWG related crimes were recorded by the force?

	Distinct Count of Occ No
2019	8208
2020	8403
2021	9186
2022	9731
2023	9086
2024	8731

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Grand Total	53345
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How many sexual assaults were reported to the force?

	Distinct Count of Occ No
2019	1007
2020	942
2021	1137
2022	1320
2023	1269
2024	1362
Grand Total	7037

How many rapes were reported to the force?

	Distinct Count of Occ No
2019	525
2020	526
2021	555
2022	633
2023	641
2024	707
Grand Total	3587

How many domestic abuse related crimes were reported to the force?

	Distinct Count of Occ No
2019	6662
2020	7315
2021	7330
2022	7462
2023	7062
2024	6692
Grand Total	42523

How many deaths were identified by the force as domestic abuse related?

5

Of those, how many were suspected suicides by domestic abuse victims?

1

Of the total number of domestic abuse related deaths, how many were intimate partner homicides?

2

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Of those intimate partner homicides, how many perpetrators were known to police before the homicide occurred?

3

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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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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