

**Force Disclosure Unit**

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XXXXXX – by E Mail

Date: 15th August 2025

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2025 / 746

Reply contact name is: Nick Penny

Dear XXXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 4th August 2025 concerning Administering of Poisons..

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 Business Performance Team - I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote (and Our Response)

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information:

Details of reports of the following criminal offences within Wiltshire for 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024:

005/10 - Administer poison so as to endanger life [Offences Against the Person Act]

008/02 - Administering poison with intent to injure or annoy [Offences Against the Person Act]

088/05 - Administering a substance with intent [Sexual Offences Act]

005/05 - Using Chloroform etc. to commit an indictable offence [Offences Against the Person Act]

The number of crimes recorded per year for the above crime codes are shown in the table below (there have been no crimes recorded under HO Code 005/05) :-



Year	HO Code			Total
	5/10	8/2	88/5	
2021	1	14	-	15
2022	2	21	4	27
2023	-	16	9	25
2024	-	10	6	16
Total	3	61	19	83

A search of these crimes within the locations of nightclub, bar, and in/near pub/club/bar

Premises Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
Community Centre	1				1
Domestic Property	5	7	8	7	27
Hotel	2	2	2	2	8
Nightclub		2	3		5
Pub		6	5	4	15
Restaurant / Café	6	8	4	1	19
Retail	1		1		2
Social Club			2		2
Sports		2		2	4
Total	15	27	25	16	83

Please note, whilst we have a field within our crime recording system called “Building Type” its use is not mandatory and in practice it is seldom used.

The above information has been created referencing the summary description and/or recorded address of the given offence etc.

Sex of complainant

	Home Office Code						
	5/10		8/2		88/5		
Year	F	M	F	M	F	M	Total
2021	1		11	3			15
2022	1	1	17	4	3	1	27
2023			14	2	6	3	25
2024			6	4	4	2	16
Total	2	1	48	13	13	6	83

A breakdown of this information based on Wiltshire LPAs (i.e. Swindon, Salisbury, Chippenham).

Year / Policing Hub	Home Office Code			Total
	5/10	8/2	88/5	
2021	1	14		15
Amesbury	1	1		2
Salisbury		1		1
Swindon		11		11
Trowbridge		1		1
2022	2	21	4	27
Amesbury		1		1
Chippenham		1		1
Devizes		2		2
Salisbury		2		2
Swindon	1	15	3	19
Trowbridge	1		1	2
2023		16	9	25
Amesbury			1	1
Chippenham		1	1	2
Devizes		1	1	2
Salisbury		1	1	2
Swindon		11	4	15
Trowbridge		2	1	3
2024		10	6	16
Chippenham		2		2
Devizes		2		2
Swindon		3	1	4
Trowbridge		1	3	4
Warminster		2	2	4
Grand Total	3	61	19	83

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