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London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

Date: 27th January 2026

Our ref: FOI 2026/087

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19th January concerning Dangerous Dogs Act.

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 I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

Please provide the following information for the last five calendar years (2021 to 2025):

1. Dogs seized under Section 1 of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (prohibited breeds).
2. Dogs seized under Section 3 of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (dogs dangerously out of control).

Format Requested:

Please provide the data in a spreadsheet format (e.g., Excel or CSV). For each dog, please include (where recorded):

- Date of seizure
- Breed/type
- Section under which seized (Section 1 or Section 3)
- Outcome (e.g., returned, exempted, destroyed, prosecution)
- Any other relevant details available

I am requesting individual records rather than aggregated totals, so please do not provide only summary figures.

Response:

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Date	Breed	Outcome	Act/Section
21/03/2024	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
30/07/2024	XL BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 1 Banned Breed
26/08/2024	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
18/09/2024	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
22/09/2024	American Pitbull Terrier	Put to sleep	Sec 1 Banned Breed
14/10/2024	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
20/11/2024	XL BULLY	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 1 Banned Breed
03/02/2025	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
24/03/2025	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
04/07/2025	XL BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 1 Banned Breed
28/08/2025	XL BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 1 Banned Breed
30/09/2025	XL BULLY	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 1 Banned Breed
12/11/2025	American Pitbull Terrier	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 1 Banned Breed
21/03/2021	American Bulldog	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
01/04/2021	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
02/06/2021	Doberman	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
08/06/2021	XL Pocket bully	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
07/07/2021	German Shepherd Cross	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
07/08/2021	German Shepherd	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
28/08/2021	German Shepherd	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
18/09/2021	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/09/2021	German Shepherd	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/09/2021	German Shepherd x Husky	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/09/2021	German Shepherd	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
07/10/2021	Not Recorded	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control

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17/10/2021	French Bulldog	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/10/2021	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
18/12/2021	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
01/02/2022	Rottweiler	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
15/04/2022	American Pitbull Terrier	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/05/2022	Border Collie	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
29/05/2022	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
31/05/2022	American Bulldog	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
09/07/2022	Central Asian Shepherd	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
30/07/2022	Malamute	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
22/08/2022	Mastiff Cross	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
02/09/2022	French Bulldog	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
04/10/2022	Belgian Mallinwa x Dutch Herder	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
11/11/2022	GSD x Labrador x Mali	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/12/2022	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
14/01/2023	American Bulldog	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
06/03/2023	Crossbreed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
03/04/2023	Not Recorded	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
10/04/2023	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/04/2023	Mastiff Cross	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
27/06/2023	XL BULLY / AM BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control

27/06/2023	XL BULLY / AM BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
03/07/2023	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
13/07/2023	German Shepherd	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
27/07/2023	German Shepherd	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
01/08/2023	GSD x Labrador x Mali	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
31/08/2023	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
31/08/2023	American Pitbull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/09/2023	Husky Cross	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
08/10/2023	XL BULLY / AM BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
31/10/2023	Unspecified cross breed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
03/01/2024	XL BULLY / AM BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
01/02/2024	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
07/02/2024	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
12/04/2024	Crossbreed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
01/05/2024	US Bully	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
03/05/2024	Akita	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
04/05/2024	German Shepherd	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
22/06/2024	Husky Cross	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
13/07/2024	Husky	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
22/09/2024	French Bulldog	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/09/2024	American Pitbull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control

25/09/2024	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
16/10/2024	Crossbreed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
16/10/2024	German Shepherd	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/10/2024	Rottweiler	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
15/11/2024	Pocket BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
12/12/2024	Jack Russell	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
12/12/2024	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/12/2024	English Bull Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
04/02/2025	Cane Corso	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
08/03/2025	American Bulldog	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
20/03/2025	Pocket BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
03/04/2025	Rottweiler	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/04/2025	Rottweiler	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
28/04/2025	XL BULLY	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
02/05/2025	American Pitbull Terrier	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
08/05/2025	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
10/05/2025	Mastiff Cross	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
13/05/2025	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
18/05/2025	Retriever	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
01/06/2025	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
05/06/2025	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control

15/06/2025	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/06/2025	Terrier	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
02/07/2025	Bulldog	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
16/07/2025	Spaniel	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
17/07/2025	Weimaraner	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/07/2025	American Pitbull Terrier	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
20/07/2025	Pocket BULLY	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
22/07/2025	Crossbreed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
22/07/2025	Crossbreed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
23/07/2025	Border Collie	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
23/07/2025	Pocket BULLY	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
23/07/2025	Pocket BULLY	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
24/07/2025	Mastiff Cross	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
25/07/2025	Mastiff Cross	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
04/08/2025	Cane Corso	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
07/08/2025	Border Collie	Rehomed	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
07/08/2025	XL BULLY	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
15/08/2025	Greyhound/Lurcher/Whip pet	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
17/08/2025	German Shepherd	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
20/08/2025	Crossbreed	Returned to Owner	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
29/08/2025	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control

29/08/2025	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
11/10/2025	Akita	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
21/10/2025	Other Mastiff	Rehomed	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
04/11/2025	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
13/11/2025	Crossbreed	Put to sleep	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
30/11/2025	Crossbreed	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control
19/12/2025	Terrier	Ongoing Investigation	Sec 3 Dangerously Out Of Control

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.



Force Disclosure Unit

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



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 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

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