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XXXX – Via email



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Our ref: FOI 2026-153

Dear XXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 6th February regarding cat abductions.

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 Unit at Wiltshire Police.

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

You wrote:

1. What was the total number of cat abduction crimes in 2025? (An additional request for cat theft will be sent separately to distinguish)
2. What was the outcome (charge/summons, community resolution, active investigation, evidential difficulties, no suspect identified) for each cat abduction crime in 2025?
3. Please list specific cat breed types with amounts (abducted in 2025) — or 'breed unrecorded' or 'mixed breed'?

Our response:

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DetectionStatus	Count
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	1
15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	2
21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest	1
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified	1

3. Only one occurrence had the breed recorded, which was 'Domestic Short Hair'

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and 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