

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Via Email



Police Headquarters
London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

Date 27/03/2026

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2026/203

Reply contact name is:

Dear ,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 17/02/2026 concerning collision data involving range rover vehicles (2012–2021) and front suspension failure.

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 not obliged to supply the information you have requested.

You wrote:

I am seeking anonymised statistical data relating to road traffic collisions involving **Range Rover vehicles (model years 2012–2021)** where vehicle failure or defect was identified as a contributing factor, specifically relating to **front suspension components**.

To assist your search, I understand that collision investigations typically record data via STATS19 reporting and may include contributory factors or vehicle defect indicators.

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information for the period **1 January 2012 to present**:

1. Collision Records

The total number of recorded road traffic collisions involving:

- Range Rover vehicles (including Range Rover L405 and Range Rover Sport L494 models, where model detail is available)

Where:

- A vehicle defect or mechanical failure was recorded as a contributory factor; and/or
- The investigating officer recorded a failure relating to suspension, steering, wheel assembly, or hub components.

2. Defect Classification (Where Available)

For the above collisions, please provide anonymised breakdowns of:

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- The number where a **front suspension component** was identified as failed or defective
- The number where a **steering or hub/knuckle component** was identified
- Whether the defect was considered:
 - A primary cause
 - A contributory factor
 - Or discovered during post-collision mechanical examination

3. Mechanical Examination Data

Where vehicles underwent forensic vehicle examination:

- The number of cases where a **fractured or failed front suspension component** was recorded
- Whether the failure was considered:
 - Pre-collision mechanical failure
 - Collision-induced damage
 - Undetermined

4. Injury Severity (High-Level Only)

For relevant cases, please provide anonymised totals of:

- Fatal collisions
- Serious injury collisions

Slight injury collisions

Response:

Business Intelligence, Collisions (Justice Traffic) and Roads Policing were contacted – None of the teams contacted hold the data in the detail that you have requested.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Wiltshire Police, when refusing to provide information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a Refusal Notice for those aspects of your request.

Exemptions applied:

No Information Held

Please contact me if you would like to discuss the withheld information.

Yours sincerely

Force Disclosure Decision Maker

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