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XXXXXX – by E Mail

Date: 30th April 2026

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2026 / 395

Reply contact name is: Nick Penny

Dear XXXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 25th April 2026 concerning Domestic Incidents perpetrated by Children.

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 Intelligence Team - I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would like to request the following information for the period 1st Jan 2015 to 1st Jan 2025:

- 1) Data on reported domestic incidents where the perpetrator was a child aged under 16 and where the child was causing harm to a parent, caregiver and/or sibling. This includes harm of a physical, emotional, psychological, sexual and/or financial nature. Please break this down by offence group and outcome, as well as victim/suspect relationship.
- 2) Data on reported domestic incidents where the perpetrator was an adolescent aged 16-17 and where the adolescent was causing harm to a parent, caregiver and/or sibling. This includes harm of a physical, emotional, psychological, sexual and/or financial nature. Please break this down by offence group and outcome, as well as victim/suspect relationship.
- 3) For both 1 and 2 above please also provide any recorded information on whether pets were also harmed; whether the suspect lived with a parent, caregiver and/or sibling; and whether a PSN was issued. If the information requested in this 3rd point cannot be provided within the available time limits (eg if it would require manual review of a large number of records), please disregard it and just process the requests for information in points 1 and 2.

Please can you provide the above data in a spreadsheet.



If the requested information cannot be provided exactly as specified, please provide the closest available data held within your standard reporting systems.

Our response:

Whilst our crime recording systems are fairly sophisticated and contain a number of fields that can be searched automatically, we do not have fields in which we specifically record the following :-

- a) Whether pets were harmed in an incident
- b) The living arrangements involved
- c) Whether a PPN was issued

If held, this information would only be contained in the narrative of the occurrence log or accompanying paperwork (such as statements) or in separately saved documents.

Given the number of occurrences involved here (in excess of 400) and allowing a conservative 5 minutes per record to undertake the searches required, I estimate that this task would take nearly 36 man-hours to complete – well in excess of the permitted time permissible to answer an FOI request.

As a consequence – and in line with your direction above – Q3 of this request has therefore been excluded from our response.

For answers to Q1 and Q2, please refer to the attached spreadsheet.
This contains two tabs which provide you the information you require.

The tables concerned show the offences committed, by type, by victim designation and then outcome.

Note – some offences are still live investigations and have yet to reach an outcome.

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
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