

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Police Headquarters

London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

Date: July 17, 2026

Our ref: FOI 2026/600

Reply contact name:

Dear,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 30th June 2026 concerning Palantir.

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:

1. Please tell me of any current or past contracts that your force has signed with Palantir Technologies in the last 10 years.
2. Please tell me which functions any current contracts between you and Palantir Technologies cover.
3. Please tell me how many bidders competed for any current contracts between you and Palantir Technologies.
4. Please tell me the nature of your first contract with Palantir Technologies. In particular, was it framed as a pilot programme? Did that pilot programme then lead to a further, larger contract?

I am writing to appeal against your decision to deny my Freedom of Information request FOI 2026/600 on the grounds of section 24(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Section 31(3).

Section 24(2) is an exemption related to national security.

There is no conceivable threat to national security from revealing the names of the companies with which you have signed contracts for information technology systems.

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Section 31(3) is an exemption for law enforcement.

It is clear looking at Section 31 of the Freedom of Information Act that Section 31 is intended to safeguard law enforcement bodies' ongoing investigations into suspected crimes and other matters. It is very obviously not intended to cover every aspect of a police force's operations.

I have had substantive responses to this request so far from 19 other police forces. Only one has sought to refer to the exemptions that you have claimed apply. That force - West Yorkshire - has nevertheless subsequently sent me a substantive response.

Response:

On reviewing the original Freedom of Information request, the response provided and the Internal Review, I do not uphold the original response and believe the previous exemptions used were incorrect.

I can confirm that Wiltshire Police have not entered into any contracts (currently or historically) with Palantir Technologies.

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,

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:

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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/>