WILTSHIRE POLICE

Police Headquarters
London Road
DEVIZES
Wiltshire
SN10 2DN

XXX

Sent via email: XXX

Date: 11/11/26 **Our ref:** FOI 2026/1006

Dear XXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 26/10/26 concerning AI-generated or altered images or videos of children created 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 I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information:

1. The number of reports made regarding AI-generated or altered images or videos of children created by children, per calendar year since 2020
2. The number of these reports which involved sexually explicit images or videos, per calendar year since 2020
3. A breakdown of the outcomes of these reports, per calendar year since 2020
4. The age of the victim and accused, per calendar year
5. The gender of the victim and accused, per calendar year.

Q1 amended 27/10/26 to:

Please could you complete the search for the below offences:

- 86/02 - Take/ make / distribute indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs, of children
- 86/10 - Possession of an indecent or pseudo indecent photo of a child
- 138/52 - Send false communication with intent to cause harm

Response:

86/02 - Take/ make/ distribute indecent photographs or pseudo-photographs, of children:

1.

86/2	Distinct Count of OccNo
2020	174
2021	198
2022	266
2023	264
2024	149
2025	192
2026	101
Grand Total	**1344**

2.

As above, the offence is specifically indecent images.

3.

Distinct Count of OccNo	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
1: Charged			1			1		2
1: Summonsed/postal requisition	1	2	2			1		6
10: Police - formal action not in public interest						1		1
11: Named suspect below age of criminal responsibility	1	2		1	2			6
14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender			1			1		2

15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties						1		1
15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	12	12	24	16	5	1	3	73
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified		1			1			2
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified				7	2	2	1	12
2: Youth caution			1					1
20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy	8	9	5		2	6	1	31
21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest	152	170	201	208	70	97	36	934
22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from crime reports, has been undertaken and is not in the public interest to take any further action.			29	29	55	68	33	214
3: Adult conditional caution			2					2
8: Youth restorative disposal		2		3	10	8	3	26
New - Under Investigation					2	5	24	31
Grand Total	**174**	**198**	**266**	**264**	**149**	**192**	**101**	**1344**

4.

Aggrieved:

Count of PersonId	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
5			1					1
11				2		1		3
12		2		2			1	5
13	1		1	1		3	3	9
14			2		3		1	6
15		1	1	2			2	6
16		1	1				1	3
17							2	2
18			1					1
Not Recorded	174	195	259	258	147	189	91	1313
Grand Total	**175**	**199**	**266**	**265**	**150**	**193**	**101**	**1349**

Suspect:

Count of PersonId	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
5		1						1
8		1						1
9	3	1			2	2		8
10	3	6	9	4	4	2	1	29
11	10	8	7	15	7	12	1	60
12	18	29	34	35	12	22	7	157
13	35	33	51	44	19	33	17	232
14	33	36	66	47	28	36	26	272
15	32	42	34	52	35	41	21	257
16	29	29	40	37	27	28	17	207
17	14	15	23	31	16	18	12	129
18	7	4	15	10	3	7	3	49

19				1				1
24			1					1
28	1							1
34	1							1
36					1			1
40			1					1
4		1		1				2
Not Recorded				2				2
Grand Total	**186**	**206**	**281**	**279**	**154**	**201**	**105**	**1412**

5.

Aggrieved:

Count of PersonId	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Female	1	4	4	4	1		5	19
Male			3	3	2	4	6	18
Not Recorded	174	195	259	258	147	189	90	1312
Grand Total	**175**	**199**	**266**	**265**	**150**	**193**	**101**	**1349**

Suspect:

Count of PersonId	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Female	102	113	127	119	65	78	32	636
Male	84	93	154	158	88	120	72	769
Not Recorded				2	1	3	1	7
Grand Total	**186**	**206**	**281**	**279**	**154**	**201**	**105**	**1412**

86/10 - Possession of an indecent or pseudo indecent photo of a child

1.

86/10	Distinct Count of OccNo
2020	7
2021	4
2022	4
2023	7
2024	7
2025	4
2026	2
Grand Total	**35**

2.

As above, the offence is specifically indecent images.

3.

Distinct Count of OccNo	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	3		1	1	3			8
20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy					1			1
21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest	4	4	2	4	3	2	1	20

22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from crime reports, has been undertaken and is not in the public interest to take any further action.			1	2		1		4
8: Youth restorative disposal						1		1
New - Under Investigation							1	1
Grand Total	**7**	**4**	**4**	**7**	**7**	**4**	**2**	**35**

4.

Aggrieved:

Distinct Count of OccNo	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
14							2	2
Not Recorded	7	4	4	7	7	4		33
Grand Total	**7**	**4**	**4**	**7**	**7**	**4**	**2**	**35**

Suspect:

Distinct Count of OccNo	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
11			1					1
12					1			1
13	1		1		2	2		6
14	3	3	1	2	1	1	1	12
15	1	1	1	4			1	8
16	1			1				2
17					2	1		3
18	1				1			2

Grand Total	**7**	**4**	**4**	**7**	**7**	**4**	**2**	**35**

5.

Aggrieved:

Distinct Count of OccNo	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Female							1	1
Male							1	1
Not Recorded	7	4	4	7	7	4		33
Grand Total	**7**	**4**	**4**	**7**	**7**	**4**	**2**	**35**

Suspect:

Distinct Count of OccNo	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Female	1	2	1		2	2		8
Male	6	2	3	7	5	2	2	27
Grand Total	**7**	**4**	**4**	**7**	**7**	**4**	**2**	**35**

138/52 - Send false communication with intent to cause harm

1.

138/52	Distinct Count of OccNo
2024	2
2025	3
2026	3
Grand Total	**8**

2.

None of these occurrences related to images or videos of children.

3.

Distinct Count of OccNo	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified		1		1
17: Suspect identified but prosecution time limit expired		1		1
18: Investigation complete no suspect identified	1			1
22: Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from crime reports, has been undertaken and is not in the public interest to take any further action.	1			1
New - Under Investiation		1	3	4
Grand Total	**2**	**3**	**3**	**8**

4.

Aggrieved:

Distinct Count of PersonId	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
12			1	1
15	1	1		2
16			1	1
17			1	1
18	1			1
43		1		1
Not Recorded		1		1
Grand Total	**2**	**3**	**3**	**8**

Suspect:

Distinct Count of PersonId	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
13			1	1
14		1	1	2
15	1			1
16	1	1	1	3
17		1	1	2
Grand Total	**2**	**3**	**4**	**9**

5.

Aggrieved:

Distinct Count of PersonId	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Female			2	2
Male	2	2	1	5
Not Recorded		1		1
Grand Total	**2**	**3**	**3**	**8**

Suspect:

Distinct Count of PersonId	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
Female		2	3	5
Male	2	1	1	4
Grand Total	**2**	**3**	**4**	**9**

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed on 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

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/