



Response Date:10/06/2026

2026/588 - Animal-related crimes

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

1. The total recorded costs incurred by the force in responding to and investigating animal-related crimes, including:

- the cost of officer time spent responding to incidents and carrying out investigations
- costs associated with gathering evidence (e.g. statements, site visits, seizure support)
- use of specialist units (e.g. rural crime or wildlife crime officers/teams)
- custody-related costs where suspects are detained

North Wales Police do not carry out activity based costing.

I can advise we currently have 3 PCSO's with one joining us a couple of years ago.
6 PC's and another who is 50% seconds to NRW.
1 Sergeant

2. The total recorded volume of police activity relating to animal-related crimes, such as:

- number of incidents
- recorded offences
- use of specialist wildlife or rural crime officers

Data from our ICAD system - which logs incidents in our control room

Incident Fiscal Year	Animal Wildlife Latest Event Description	Events + Attendance Time Recorded
2023	798	167
2024	844	191
2025	937	238

Data from our Records Management System (RMS)

Fiscal Year	Occurrences + Wildlife Crime Type HO Description (including non-crimes occurrences)
2023	11
2024	7
2025	12

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3. Total costs recovered, or liable to be recovered, for recorded animal-related crimes, including:

- whether any of these costs are recoverable from offenders (e.g. through court orders)
- any income received related to enforcement activity (if applicable)
- any information on the proportion of liable costs that is not recovered

In relation to court cost the police don't recover our costs.

If exact financial data is not held, I would be grateful for any proxy measures (e.g. officer time, incident counts) or relevant internal documents that provide insight into the resource impact.

Please provide the above information for the following financial years: 2023/24 (01/04/2023 - 31/03/2024), 2024/25 (01/04/2024 - 31/03/2025), 2025/26 (01/04/2025 - 31/03/2026).

If you cannot provide the information requested above in financial years, please provide it in calendar years (2023, 2024, 2025) or however your data is stored. If you do not have this data for all the years requested, please provide the data for the years you have. If the requested years are missing altogether, please provide data for the latest available time period.

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