

17/03/2026

REF: KP/I-Case: 2004764 FOI832

Sent via email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI832

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC's) Office has now completed its search for the information you requested on 17 and 18 February 2026.

Your Request (including 18th February amendment):

Under the FOI Act, as the Pension Supervising Authority for the local police force, please provide me with the following:

1. List of police officers dismissed or who have resigned from the local force following a conviction of a crime since 01/01/2018, that the PCC has been made aware of for the purposes of pension forfeiture consideration.
2. For each officer listed in your answer to Q1, itemise them to show if they were dismissed or resigned, gender, offence(s), year of conviction, pension worth at time of leaving and if their pension has been forfeited (if so, include % forfeited).

Our Response:

Some of the information you requested is already in the public domain and therefore falls under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which covers information reasonably accessible by other means. To assist you, we have provided the relevant links below to the sources that publish information on officer dismissals following criminal convictions.

Public Domain Sources:

- **Avon & Somerset Police – Misconduct Outcomes**
<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk> (search “misconduct outcomes” or “newsroom”)
- **BBC News – Avon & Somerset Police-related criminal and misconduct cases**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news> (search “Avon and Somerset Police officer convicted”)

These sources list the names of officers (where published), the nature of the offences, sanctions (including dismissal), and key dates surrounding the misconduct or criminal proceedings.

This is the same information made available to the PCC for purposes of determining whether pension forfeiture considerations should be initiated.

1. In every case where a police officer receives a criminal conviction, pension forfeiture is considered. Pension forfeiture has been applied in two cases within Avon and Somerset:
 - **Mr Adam Kitchener** – 10% of the public contribution to the pension was permanently forfeit.
[Ex-Avon and Somerset PC's pension docked over teen assault - BBC News](#)
 - **Mr Lewis Wood** – 100% of the public contribution to the pension was permanently forfeit.
[Ex-PC Lewis Wood jailed after sharing images of dead body - BBC News](#)

You additionally asked for pension values. This information is withheld under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as it comprises personal data about a third party. Releasing it would contravene the data protection principles under the UK GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018. As Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption, there is no requirement to conduct a public interest test.

If you are unhappy about how your request has been handled and wish to make a complaint or request a review of the decision, then you should write to:

The Chief of Staff
Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's Office
Valley Road
Portishead
Bristol
BS20 8JJ

Please note, Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's office provides you with the right to request a re-examination of your case under its review procedure. The appeals document is attached for your reference.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioners Office