

Internal Reviews 2007

An Internal Review is conducted when an applicant appeals against the original decision. The internal Review is carried out by an independent Local Decision Maker who was not involved in the original decision process. The Public Interest Test (PIT) is applied so that a full rationale can be given for why a release of information is / is not in the Public Interest.

In particularly complex cases a Review Panel will be convened which consists of the Deputy Chief Constable, a member of Staffordshire Police Authority and an independent Local Decision Maker.

Summary of Reviews

The table below is a summary of Internal Reviews carried out by Staffordshire Police during 2007. More detailed information follows.

Date of Request	Request Number	Original Decision	Date of Review	Decision of Review	Est. Time Taken
05/07/2007	625/07	Closed – Partial Release	19/10/2007	Appeal Not Upheld	6 Hours
06/07/2007	642/07	Closed – Partial Release	28/09/2007	Appeal Not Upheld	8 Hours
23/07/2007	695/07	Closed – Withheld in Full	17/08/2007	Appeal Not Upheld	2 Hours
21/09/2007	749/07	Closed – Withheld in Full	02/11/2007	Appeal Not Upheld	6 Hours
01/11/2007	803/07	Closed – Partial Release	21/11/2007	Appeal Not Upheld	7 Hours

Detailed List of Reviews

1. **Date:** 5th July 2007

Details of Request: The applicant wrote to us with a comprehensive list of questions concerning his retirement on medical grounds and the review of his pension.

Original Decision: The request was closed with a partial release of the information requested. The rest of the information does not exist or has been deleted in line with the Force's retention policies.

Date of Review: 19th October 2007

Outcome of Internal Review: Appeal Not Upheld. Original decision upheld by the board.

Estimated time taken to service request: 6 hours.

2. **Date:** 6th July 2007

Details of Request: The applicant wrote to us with a comprehensive list of questions concerning his retirement on medical grounds and the review of his pension.

Original Decision: The request was closed with a partial release of the information requested. The rest of the information does not exist or has been deleted in line with the Force's retention policies.

Date of Review: 28th September 2007

Outcome of Internal Review: Appeal Not Upheld. Original decision upheld by the board.

Estimated time taken to service request: 8 hours.

3. **Date:** 23rd July 2007

Details of Request: The applicant wrote to us asking for information regarding police attendance at his former home. The information was to be presented as evidence in court and requested the cost of attendance and the number, rank and functions of the attending officers.

Original Decision: The request was refused in full; the information was exempt under S40 as it is personal data.

Date of Review: 17th August 2007.

Outcome of Internal Review: Appeal Not Upheld. Original decision upheld by the board.

Estimated time taken to service request: 2 hours.

4. **Date:** 21st September 2007

Details of Request: The applicant contacted us asking for details of a recent inspection of the Force by the Office of Surveillance Commissioners (OSC) requesting the OSC's covering letter, their report's conclusions and recommendations and, if possible, a full copy of the report and our response.

Original Decision: The request was refused in full and exemptions S31 – Law Enforcement, S38 – Health and Safety and S40 – Personal Information were cited

Date of Review: 2nd November 2007.

Outcome of Internal Review: Appeal Not Upheld. Original decision upheld by the board.

Estimated time taken to service request: 6 hours.

5. **Date:** 1st November 2007

Details of Request: The applicant wrote requesting information about police attendance at his place of work on the day he received a suspension. He wanted to know why the police were called, who called them and the names of the officers in attendance and on what grounds they were called.

Original Decision: The request was closed with a partial release of the information requested. Some of the information was exempt under s40 as it was personal data and some information wasn't held

Date of Review: 21st November 2007.

Outcome of Internal Review: Appeal Not Upheld. Original decision upheld by the board.

Estimated time taken to service request: 7 Hours