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By email

Date: 10th March 2021

Our ref: FOI 2021/167

Reply contact name is: Abigail Standidge

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 23rd February 2021 concerning mental health and suicide.

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.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by the Business Intelligence department and Mental Health Partnership Sgt at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

I wish to obtain info about Police recording of incidents related to: Mental Health, Suicide (completed, as well as attempted and suspected) and self harm. Cleveland Police advised me that they would record such reports/incidents on their system under the occurrence code 'PS10 - Concern for Safety', which could then have a 'qualifier' added to it, such as 'Mental Health', 'Suicide/Suicide Risk' or 'Vulnerable adult'.

If your force records using the same system/occurrence codes as Cleveland Police, as described above, then please let me know the following:

Q1. Between 23/03/2019 and 22/02/2020 how many of the following did your force record:

- a. PS10.
- b. PS10 with Mental Health qualifier.
- c. PS10 with Suicide or Suicide risk qualifier.

Q2. Exactly the same info as Q.1 a, b and c above, but for the time period 23/03/2020 to 22/02/2021.



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If your force records such incidents differently then please let me know how many incidents regarding mental health concern for safety, suicide, suicide risk, attempted/suspected suicide etc your force recorded using whichever codes or recording methods your force uses, during the time periods outlined in Q1 and Q2 above.

Our response

Please note: 'MH Qualifier only' has been included in the results to highlight that many MH incidents do not have a PS10 code.

Type of Recording Qualifier used	Year	
	2019 / 2020	2020 / 2021
Concern for Safety Disposal	5886	6597
Concern for Safety Disposal + MH Qualifier	1357	1534
MH Qualifier only	5796	5934
Suicide	63	73
Total	13102	14138

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

Abigail Standidge
Force Disclosure Decision Maker

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.



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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.pnn.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/>