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XXXXXX – by E mail

Date: 23rd August 2021

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2021 / 645

Reply contact name is: Nick Penny

Dear XXXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 4th August 2021 concerning Domestic Homicides / Deaths.

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 – having consulted our Business Performance Team - I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote (and Our Response) :

Can you please provide the following information on domestic homicide/deaths for the following years from 2017-2021 to date, broken down in quarters?

(1) How many women have been killed by a partner, spouse, or relative? Could this information be given in quarters for the following years.

2017-2018	Q4	1
2018-2019	None	
2019-2020	Q1	1
2020-2021	Q1	2

Where possible can you break this down by ethnic group and age? For example, White, Black, Pakistani, Bangladeshi etc.

The Self-defined race of both the victims and perpetrators of these 4 offences are not formally stated on our systems(s).



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(2) How many men have been killed by a partner, spouse or relative? Could this information be given in quarters for the following years.

2017-2018
2018-2019
2019-2020
2020-2021

Where possible can you break this down by ethnic group and age? For example, White, Black, Pakistani, Bangladeshi etc.

There have been no instances where there has been a Male Victim for any of the 4 time periods you have requested.

(3) From March 2020 to date in 2021 are you able to breakdown the domestic killings by quarters. Can you further breakdown into gender, age, and ethnicity.

2017-2018	Q4	1	Gender FEMALE	Age 37
2019-2020	Q1	1	Gender FEMALE	Age 17
2020-2021	Q1	2	Gender FEMALE (both)	Ages 40 and 18

(4) How many cases during March 2020 and to date in 2021 are still have active investigations?

None

(5) How many cases during the years from 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 have individuals been charged or progressed to criminal court. What were the outcome if it went to criminal court?

There have been 3 instances where individuals have been charged and/or progressed to Criminal Court details are as follows :-

Q1 2019-2020	1 Offence	Sentence 12.5 years
Q1 2020-2021	2 Offences	Jailed for life (min 34 years)

The same individual committed both offences in Q1 2020-2021.

The other case (from Q4 2017-2018) did not proceed to either Charging or Court due to evidential difficulties.

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,

Nick Penny
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 Fol 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
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