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Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 24 May 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 04/05/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

Please send me, separately for each of the two financial years (April-March) 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, the number of incidents attended by police recorded/deemed as:

- 1. Suspected suicide*
- 2. Attempted suicide*

(I realise confirmed suicides are subject to coroner's reports. If you have information about backlogs and confusions due to COVID testing please explain.)

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

Since 2015, Leicestershire Police have operated a real-time suicide surveillance programme.

These figures are gathered when police officers attend an incident and believe it to be suicide. Although this is subject to a Coroner's Conclusion, across a partnership of agencies within Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland.

Leicestershire Police do not collect data in relation to attempted suicides as there is no nationally agreed definition of this.

2019/2020 - 87 suicide incidents
2020/2021 - 93 suicide incidents

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Corporate Services Department at the above address. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer
Leicestershire Police

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