



Our Ref: 002315/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 09 August 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 07/07/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

Please could you tell me how many cases of attempted suicide and how many cases of completed suicide you have recorded, broken down by category and month, from January 2019 to the end of June 2021.

For each of these categories, could you please break the information down by method used (if the information is held), and how many attempted suicides were by minors, and how many of the completed suicides were by minors?

Where the cases involved minors attempting or completing suicide, please could you break the information down by age?

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: -

Leicestershire Police have not recorded any attempted suicides in the time period requested.

Leicestershire Police have recorded the below numbers of suicides in the time period:

2019

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
6	4	3	8	5	8	13	7	7	8	1	6

2020

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
7	4	10	12	9	6	7	7	7	9	8	7
5 minors											

2021

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
9	5	5	14	10	8
1 minor					

Any further breakdown of the above information would invoke Section 40(2)

Section 40 (2) – Personal Information

Section 40(2) is a class based absolute exemption and as such legislators have identified that there would be harm in disclosure and there is no requirement to evidence this or consider the public interest test. However, as Section 40(2) is engaged and in order to make the exemption absolute we need to evidence that a data protection principle would be breached by disclosure. In this case it would not be fair to process confidential information which could lead to the identification of an individual, therefore the first principle of the Data Protection Act would be breached.

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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