

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Decision notice

Date: 17 December 2024

Public Authority: Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis

Address: New Scotland Yard
Broadway
London
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1. Request and Response:

The complainant requested the following information from Metropolitan Police Service (the MPS) on 23 July 2024:

- " 1. In the last 5 years, how many people/members of the public have died in police custody /care (including court but not including prison)?
2. In the last 5 years, how many police officers have died whilst in the line of active duty or in a police capacity?"

The MPS provided a valid response on 25 October 2024.

2. Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, the MPS did not provide a valid response within the statutory time frame. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

3. Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
GRC & GRP Tribunals,
PO Box 9300,
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Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

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