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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 995/24 Women Homicides

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on the 5th of November 2024. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. *How many women were murdered, or a victim of manslaughter, in Cumbria between 31 August 2019 - 24 October 2024?*
2. *How many of those convicted of killing women were known to their victims?*
3. *How many of those convicted killers had previous convictions?*
4. *How many requests for information under Clare's Law between 31 August - 24 October 2024?*
5. *How many of those applications were approved?*

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case I have today decided to disclose this to you.

The information provided in response to your request has been extracted from the Constabulary's crime recording system. The offenders have been manually checked on the crime recording system for previously committed offences, 'offender' refers to individuals with a police outcome of 'charge/summons'. Please note that Cumbria Constabulary do not hold information regarding convictions, this is held by the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS).

Question 1- How many women were murdered, or a victim of manslaughter, in Cumbria between 31 August 2019 - 24 October 2024?

There have been 10 female victims of homicide between 31/08/2019 – 24/10/2024.

5 manslaughter and 5 murder offences.

Question 2- How many of those convicted of killing women were known to their victims?

All 6 individual offenders with a police outcome of charge/summons were known to their victims.

5 offences had a police outcome of charge/summons (not CPS conviction).

4 offences had other police outcomes; all suspects of those offences were also known to their victims.



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1 recorded homicide offence is still under investigation, in which suspect, and victim were strangers

Question 3- *How many of those convicted killers had previous convictions?*

3 offenders had previous offences recorded with a charge/summons.

1 offender had a previous assault with police outcome of charge/summons.

2 offenders had numerous previous charge/summons outcomes for various offences.

3 offenders had no previous offences.

Question 4- *How many requests for information under Clare's Law between 31 August - 24 October 2024?*

662 requests for 'Right to Ask' under Clare's Law between 31/08/2019 - 24/10/2024.

Question 5- *How many of those applications were approved?*

544 of those applications were approved.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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