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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 258/25

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 26 February 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1) *The number of deaths of women referred by the force to be considered for domestic homicide reviews/domestic abuse related death reviews between 2019-2024***
- 2) *How many of the referrals identified in response to question 1 resulted in the review process being undertaken and how many did not***
- 3) *For each death identified in response to question 1, please provide the number of DASH assessments completed by the force in relation to the deceased prior to their death and the risk level identified in each assessment***
- 4) *For each death identified in response to question 1, please provide the number of occasions on which the deceased was discussed at the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference/High Risk Daily Meeting/Daily Risk Assessment Management Meeting or equivalent meeting prior to their death.***

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm the information you seek is held by Cumbria Constabulary. However, due to the way in which data is recorded, I have estimated the time required to extract the relevant information will exceed the “appropriate limit” as the data would require a manual review of all relevant entries as described below.

To locate and retrieve all the information you seek in question 3 it would be necessary to undertake a manual review of all records held in relation to each person identified in question 3, this information is held across various systems and I have estimated that the time required to complete a manual review to locate and extract all information relevant to your request would significantly exceed the “appropriate limit”, as stated in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. The current limit for police forces is set at £450, which equates to 18 hours of work.

Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit. In view of this, and in accordance with Section 17(5) of the Act, this letter serves as a Refusal Notice for your request, by virtue of Section 12(1).



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However, as a gesture of goodwill and in keeping with the duty to provide advice and assistance under Section 16 of the Act, I have provided you with some information which has been retrieved within the 18-hour limit and makes up Questions 1, 2 and 4 as set out below.

Question 1

Answer = 29

Question 2

Answer = They were all accepted as DHRs/DARDRs by the Community Safety Partnership.

Question 4

Answer = 9 of the referred people were discussed at MARAC, they are broken down as follows:

Person 1	once
Person 2	twice
Person 3	once
Person 4	once (as the offender – not victim)
Person 5	three times
Person 6	twice
Person 7	once
Person 8	four times
Person 9	two times

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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