West Midlands Police Freedom of Information

Request Reference: 1229A/22

Please provide the following information regarding deaths during or following police contact for the 2021/2022 financial year:

1. Road traffic incident fatalities

The number of deaths of motorists, cyclists or pedestrians arising from police pursuits, police vehicles responding to emergency calls and other police traffic-related It does not include deaths following a road traffic incident (RTI) where the police have attended immediately after the event as an emergency service

Please provide a breakdown by ethnicity (white, Asian, black, mixed, other or not known)

0 deaths recorded

2. Fatal shootings

The number of deaths where police officers fired the fatal shot using a conventional firearm Please provide a breakdown by ethnicity (white, Asian, black, mixed, other or not known)

0 deaths recorded

3. Deaths in or following police custody

The number of deaths in or following police custody, This includes deaths that occur while a person is being arrested or taken into detention. It includes deaths of persons who have been arrested or have been detained by police under the Mental Health Act 1983. The death may have taken place on police, private or medical premises, in a public place or in a police or other vehicle. For example: Deaths that occur during or following police custody where injuries that contributed to the death were sustained during the period of detention, deaths that occur in or on the way to hospital (or other medical premises) following or during transfer from scene of arrest or police custody, deaths that occur as a result of injuries or other medical problems that are identified or that develop while a person is in custody.

Please provide a breakdown by ethnicity (white, Asian, black, mixed, other or not known)

1 death recorded (White)

4. Apparent suicides following police custody

The number of apparent suicides that occur within two days of release from police custody. It also includes apparent suicides that occur beyond two days of release from custody, where the period spent in custody may be relevant to the subsequent death

Please provide a breakdown by ethnicity (white, Asian, black, mixed, other or not known)

0 deaths recorded

5. Other deaths following police contact

The number of deaths that follow contact with the police, either directly or indirectly, that did not involve arrest or detention under the Mental Health Act 1983 and were subject to an independent investigation by the IOPC.

7 deaths recorded (Black: 2, White: 2, Unknown: 3)