REQUEST

1. The total number of allegations of misconduct or gross misconduct made against officers in your force, between January 1st, 2020, and December 31st, 2022.

2020:

Gross Misconduct: 9

Misconduct: 5

2021:

Gross Misconduct: 16

Misconduct: 11

2022:

Gross Misconduct: 69

Misconduct: 27

Please note that 2022 looks to have dramatically increased, the reason for this is our PSD department completed extensive work to improve the way in which we record, locate and retrieve this type of information.

2. The total number of allegations of sexual misconduct made against West Midlands police officers between January 1st, 2020 and December 31st, 2022.

2020 - 26

2021 - 2

2022 - 25

3. The number of officers who have been sacked following an allegation of misconduct or gross misconduct between January 1st, 2020 and December 31st 2022

2020 - 10

2021 - 14

2022 - 10

It is important to note the force operates under the Police Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Behaviour. This includes challenging any inappropriate behaviour or action which would discredit the police service or undermine public confidence in policing.

Our Professional Standards department, take a robust stance and are committed to rooting out abuse of power, criminality and corruption whenever we find evidence of it. This is done by carrying out thorough investigations, offering support and dealing appropriately with anyone found to be acting in an inappropriate manner.

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