

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(by email)

Our Ref: MGLA050122-0992

31 January 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 5th January 2022. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked:

Please can I request the number of deaths from 1st January 2021 – 31st December 2021 (inclusive) in each of the following housing situations in your local authority area:

- *accommodation for homeless people, including hostels and supported accommodation for people identified as rough sleeping or with a history of rough sleeping*
- *temporary accommodation commissioned by the local authority*
- *supported accommodation for homeless young people*
- *rough sleeping or no fixed abode*

The information you have requested is provided in the Excel document attached to this email.

Please note, the GLA is not a local authority and it does not collect data on all deaths for anyone sleeping rough in London. Therefore, the information provided relates only to people who were booked into accommodation for homeless people commissioned by the GLA at the time of their death.

Separately, you submitted the same request for the date range 21st November 2020 – 31st December 2020. I confirm that there was no data which fell within the range of this request.

I have responded to the request using the Excel template for the 2020 request, as it's considered that the additional fields added in the 2021 request increase the likelihood that this information could be personally identifiable and is exempt from disclosure under s.40 (Personal information) of the Freedom of Information Act.

This information could potentially identify specific individuals and as such constitutes as personal data which is defined by Article 4(1) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) to mean any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual. It is considered that disclosure of this information would contravene the first data protection principle under Article 5(1) of GDPR which states that Personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to the data subject.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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If you are unhappy with the way the GLA has handled your request, you may complain using the GLA's FOI complaints and internal review procedure, available at:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information>

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In both these cases, the person was booked into, but had not been staying at, the service around the time of their death. It is believed their accommodation status at the time of their death was staying with friends or family.