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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

***How many sudden deaths have taken place at the Alexander Thomson Hotel in Glasgow since March 2020 to present ?***

***How many sudden deaths have taken place at the Charles Rennie MacIntosh Hotel in Glasgow since March 2020 to present ?***

***How many sudden deaths have taken place at the Queens Park Hotel in Glasgow since March 2020 to present ?***

***I am wanting to find this out as these hotels have been used by Glasgow City Council to put homeless people into during this period.***

Firstly please note the following statement provided from Chief Inspector Natalie Carr: “We know that members of the homeless community often have complex and multiple needs and that these may have been exacerbated by the public health crisis and accompanying restrictions.

“It is a matter for the local authority where homeless people are accommodated and sites were identified to provide that accommodation on a temporary basis throughout the pandemic. Relevant support was also incorporated to assist those individuals with specific needs.

“Crime levels have been decreasing since 2020 and we are returning to what we would normally expect to see. We will continue to deploy proportionate resources to areas of most concern to keep our communities safe and reassure them of our visible presence.”

I have provided at the end of this letter a table providing the amount of sudden deaths as requested for dates above.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management – Glasgow at [foiglasgow@scotland.police.uk](mailto:foiglasgow@scotland.police.uk) quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

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Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to [foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk) or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply [online](#), by email to [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.

**Number of sudden  
deaths  
March 2020 –  
September 2022**

Incident type	Alexander Thomson Hotel	Charles Rennine Mcintosh Hotel	Queens Park Hotel
Sudden Death Incidents	9	7	7

All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 10/11/2022.

1. Data was extracted based on the incident's raised date, and using a cordon centred round each building , using GIS mapping.

2.The Grid East and Grid North recorded on the Incident, relates to the location Police Officers have been directed to attend.

3 - The above incidents were identified using Final call type PW-26 (Sudden Death)