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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.

I would like the following information from within the Greater Glasgow Division, from December 31, 2020, to December 31, 2021, please?

- **The number of flashing reports made to police (broken down by area/postcode)**
- **The number of arrests made in relation to flashing incidents**

In response to your request, I must first of all clarify that crimes in Scotland are recorded in accordance with the Scottish Government Justice Department offence classifications, and there is no classification for 'flashing' specifically. I can also advise you that crimes in Scotland are classified as being recorded/detected rather than by arrests.

To be of assistance, I have progressed your request in terms of the two most *potentially relevant* crime classifications as follows:-

Public Indecency and Sexual Exposure - Section 8 of the Sexual Offences Scotland Act 2009 refers (for further details please see www.legislation.gov.uk)

On that basis, recorded crime data for the period 31 December 2020 to 31 December 2021, broken down by Area Command of Greater Glasgow Division, is provided below.

Area Command	Public indecency		Sexual exposure	
	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected
East Dunbartonshire - GJ	3	2	5	4
East Renfrewshire - GC	0	0	1	1
Glasgow City Centre - GP	5	4	6	3
Glasgow East - GK	2	1	12	9
Glasgow North - GF	3	2	9	6
Glasgow North West - GU	2	1	9	5
Glasgow South East - GD	5	2	11	7
Glasgow South West - GA	6	4	6	3
Total	26	16	59	38

I would stress that all data is provisional and should be treated as management information only.

All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 1701/2022.

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Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management - Dundee on foidundee@scotland.pnn.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.

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 or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalrnarnock, 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 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.

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