| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2624  Responded to: 15 November 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Waverley Crescent is a residential cul-de-sac off Eliburn North Roundabout.

## For the period beginning 12 October 2022, until today, please provide the following information, relating to this street:

## Number of reports of crime having taking place;

For the period 12th October 2022 – 3rd November 2024, I can confirm that there have been 17 recorded crimes relating to Waverley Crescent, Livingston.

For this information broken down by calendar year please see table 1 below. Please note the caveats below the table.

Table 1

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| Year | Number of recorded crimes |
| 2022\* | 0 |
| 2023 | 7 |
| 2024\* | 10 |

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| 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 4th November 2024 |
| 1. The data was extracted using the crime's raised date. |
| 2. Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping, Waverley Crescent, Livingston, The Lothians and Scottish Borders Division has been selected. |

## Arithmetic breakdown of the nature of these alleged crimes (e.g. assault, robbery, homicide, drug possession etc);

My understanding of the area covered by your request is that it is a residential area with a small number of properties. This combined with the low numbers of recorded crimes stated above suggest that this information could be used to easily identify the persons involved.

On that basis, details of any incidents and/ or crimes reported would amount to the personal data of the residents.

Personal data - where it is assessed that disclosure would contravene the data protection principles as defined in the Act - is exempt from disclosure in terms of section 38(1)(b) of the Act.

The exemptions outlined at sections 34(1)(b) and 35(1)(a)&(b) of the Act also apply on the basis that any information held would be held for the purpose of an investigation, and disclosure would prejudice the law enforcement functions of the force.

In terms of section 18 of the Act, I am therefore refusing to confirm or deny whether the information sought is held by Police Scotland as the public interest overwhelmingly lies in protecting individuals’ right to privacy and honouring their expectation of confidentiality.

## Number of these recorded crimes 'solved' or detected.

For the period 12th October 2022 – 3rd November 2024, I can confirm that there have been 4 detected crimes relating to Waverley Crescent, Livingston.

For this information broken down by calendar year please see table 2 below. Please note the caveats below the table.

Table 2

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| Year | Number of detected crimes |
| 2022 | 0 |
| 2023 | 4 |
| 2024 | 2 |

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| 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 4th November 2024 |
| 1. The data was extracted using the crime's detected date. |
| 2. Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping, Waverley Crescent, Livingston, The Lothians and Scottish Borders Division has been selected. |

## An OS Based plan showing the location of the recorded crimes.

The information sought is not held by Police Scotland and section 17 of the Act therefore applies.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.