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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.0836

On 18/08/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am seeking up-to-date information about the proportion of police detentions/interviews of suspects and voluntary interviews in which an appropriate adult was provided and for whom legal advice was requested and obtained as recorded by officers for both adults and juveniles.

I would be grateful if you could provide the following data for your force area, for each year for the years ending 9 March 2021, 2022 and 2023:

In relation to everyone (adults and juveniles), please could you indicate the total number of (1) authorised detentions (2) interviews under arrest and (3) voluntary Interviews.

Then for these (a) a pre-interview Risk Assessment was conducted, (b) an appropriate adult was provided, (c) legal advice was requested and (d) legal advice was provided. (1) authorised detentions (2) interviews under arrest and (3) voluntary Interviews, (4) the number where information has not been routinely collected.

Then for juveniles only and their (1) authorised detentions (2) interviews under arrest and (3) voluntary interviews, (4) the number where information has not been routinely collected. (a) an appropriate adult was provided, (b) legal advice was requested and (c) legal advice was provided.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary holds some relevant information.

The primary function of the Constabulary's Arrest Recording System is to assist the Constabulary in adhering to Code C of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act. As such, its reporting function is limited.

The information that is available from the system relevant to your request is as follows:

Voluntary Attendance Interviews:

Period	Adult	Juvenile	Total
10 March 2020 to 09 March 2021	1076	231	1307
10 March 2021 to 09 March 2022	1230	224	1454
10 March 2022 to 09 March 2023	1292	229	1521
Total	3598	684	4282

Authorised Detention Information:

No. of Detentions:

Period	Adult	Juvenile	Total
10 March 2020 to 09 March 2021	6555	502	7057
10 March 2021 to 09 March 2022	6721	412	7133
10 March 2022 to 09 March 2023	7590	506	8096
Total	20866	1420	22286

No. of Detentions that had an appropriate adult recorded:

Period	Adult	Juvenile	Total
10 March 2020 to 09 March 2021	433	432	865
10 March 2021 to 09 March 2022	413	369	782
10 March 2022 to 09 March 2023	452	453	905
Total	1298	1254	2552

No of Detentions that had a solicitor requested:

Period	Adult	Juvenile	Total
10 March 2020 to 09 March 2021	6519	491	7010
10 March 2021 to 09 March 2022	6680	409	7089
10 March 2022 to 09 March 2023	7546	500	8046
Total	20745	1400	22145

If you are not satisfied with this response or any actions taken in dealing with your request, you have the right to ask that we review your case under our internal procedure. Please note that a request for an internal review must be made within 20 working days of the response to your original request.

If you decide to request that such a review is undertaken and following this process you are still unsatisfied, you then have the right to direct your complaint to the Information Commissioner for consideration.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following means:

Website - <https://ico.org.uk/>

Call their helpline - 0303 123 1113

Email - casework@ico.org.uk

Post –

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely,

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Gloucestershire Constabulary