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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.1116

On 20/11/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Please may you provide me with:

1. The total number of crimes reported to your police force, broken down by financial year, since 2010.
2. The total number of crimes reported to your police force that remain recorded as "undetected", broken down by financial year of reporting, since 2010.

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

Police Forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons the figures given relate to information from the specific recording system of Gloucestershire Constabulary and should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you receive.

Please note that our systems are designed to record information for policing purposes and the investigation of crime and not to extract statistical information. Accordingly whilst we endeavour to extract relevant data within the time limits of the Act, any data supplied is subject to these limitations.

A search of Gloucestershire Constabulary's Crime Recording System has been conducted to identify the number of substantiated crimes where the outcome is currently "Undetected". Please note that this is a live system and the status of undetected crimes can be updated and the outcome can change, therefore the status is only correct at the time of searching. Please also note that in 2013 a new outcomes framework was

introduced by the Home Office which subsequently changed the way in which crime outcomes were recorded/presented. Prior to the change, crime statistics were focussed on detections rather than outcomes, hence the extreme drop in the number of crimes still undetected.

Please see the table below for the search results.

Financial Year	Total Crimes Recorded	Total Crimes Undetected
2010/11	35967	25663
2011/12	34510	24807
2012/13	30113	20657
2013/14	29878	16767
2014/15	29684	6
2015/16	30484	5
2016/17	32312	8
2017/18	34991	41
2018/19	36209	24
2019/20	42124	72
2020/21	38037	156
2021/22	47511	403
2022/23	57650	906
2023/24	32229	3632

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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Yours sincerely,

Disclosure Officer
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