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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_2024_0102

On 22/01/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

For the offences of MURDER and ATTEMPTED Murder, please state over each of the last five years, in the year to September, the following:

The number AND % of reported MURDERS and ATTEMPTED MURDERS which resulted in:

- Charged/Summonses
- Taken into consideration

Out-of-court (formal)

- Caution - youths.
- Caution - adults
- Penalty notices for disorder

- Out of court (informal)

- Cannabis/Khat warning
- Community resolution

Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest

- Offender died
- Not in public interest (CPS)
- Not in public interest (police)
- Prosecution prevented - suspect under age
- Prosecution prevent - suspect too ill

- Prosecution time limit expired

Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)

Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action)

Evidential difficulties: suspect not identified; victim does not support further action.

Evidential difficulties: Suspect identified; victim does not support further action

Investigation complete - no suspect identified

Action undertaken by another body/agency

Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest.

Diversionary, educational or intervention activity, resulting from the crime report, has been undertaken and it is not in the public interest to take any further action.

Total offences assigned an outcome

Offences not assigned an outcome

Total offences.

If you are concerned this will breach the time/cost limit, please only provide the figures for the lines in BOLD.

For clarity, I want it set out like the Home Office Crime Outcome figures.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/crime-outcomes-in-england-and-wales-2022-to-2023/crime-outcomes-in-england-and-wales-2022-to-2023>

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.

Following receipt of your request, I can confirm a search of the crime recording system for the offences of Murder and Attempted Murder between the dates of 01/01/2019 – 31/12/2023, this search has brought back 29 offences of Murder along with the Home Office Crime Outcome Figures. The results are as follows:

Home Office Crime Outcomes	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Charged/Summoned	2	1	4	5	4	16
Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)	0	2	2	1	1	6
Offences not assigned an outcome	0	0	1	1	4	6
Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	3	3	7	7	9	29

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
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Yours sincerely,

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