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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0109

On 25/01/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1. How many vehicles do you have across the whole fleet (please provide data for the past 3 years)?
2. Please break down vehicles in Q1 by vehicle type (i.e. make / model)
3. Please break down vehicles in Q1 by fuel type (i.e. petrol / diesel / hybrid / full electric)
4. How much do you spend annually on refuelling costs for vehicles in Q1 (please provide data for the past 3 years)?
5. What is the average annual mileage per vehicle for vehicles in Q1?
6. Do you have (and if yes, how many) electric vehicle chargers at your vehicle fleet base/HQ?

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

1. It's only possible to provide current information. The Constabulary has 423 overt vehicles.
2. The make and model of these are as follows:

Make/Model	No. of vehicles
BMW 3 Series Touring	2
BMW 5 Series Touring	3
BMW R1200	5
BMW R1250	4
Fiat Swift	1

Ford Connect	8
FORD FOCUS Estate	2
Ford Focus/C-Max	8
Ford Galaxy	1
FORD KUGA	7
Ford Mondeo	2
FORD MONDEO Estate	6
Ford Ranger 4x4	12
Ford S-Max	2
FORD TOURNEO	1
Ford Transit	1
Ford Transit Minibus	4
HYUNDAI I-800	4
HYUNDAI I-800 8 SEAT	1
KIA CEE'D	1
KIA STINGER	2
Land Rover Def 110	1
Land Rover Def 90	1
MB 8xx chassis/cab	1
MB Sprinter van	17
MB Vito van	3
Mitsubishi L200 4x4	1
Mitsubishi Outlander	1
Mitsubishi Shogun4x4	2
Nissan ENV200	9
Nissan Leaf	65
Nissan Leaf Acenta	6
Peugeot 308	20
PEUGEOT BOXER	3
PEUGEOT EXPERT	1
Peugeot Traveller	1
POLARIS RANGER	1
Renault Trafic van	12
Skoda Kodiahq	2
Skoda Octavia	1

Skoda Superb	7
SSANGYONG REXTON	1
SUZUKI KINGQUAD 500	4
SUZUKI KINGQUAD700	1
Suzuki Vitara	3
Tesla Model 3	2
Toyota Corolla	38
Toyota Corolla Auto	8
Vauxhall Astra	48
VAUXHALL GRANDLAND	1
VAUXHALL INSIGNIA	9
Vauxhall Vivaro	32
VOLKSWAGEN TOURAN	1
VOLVO S90	2
Volvo V60 Estate	1
VOLVO V90 ESTATE	2
VOLVO V90CC	11
Volvo XC60	10
VOLVO XC90	14
VW T5/Transporter va	1
VW TIGUAN	1
XC60 DIESEL	1
Total	423

3. The fuel types are as follows:

Fuel Type	No. of Vehicles
Diesel	215
Electric	105
Hybrid Electric	53
Mild-Hybrid	13
Petrol	35
Plugin-Hybrid	2
Total	423

4. Refuelling costs were as follows:

Year	Cost
2023	£696,999.24
2022	£937,171.33
2021	£619,640.73

5. Total mileage per year is as follows:

Year	Mileage
2023	3,759,002.72
2022	3,443,527.57
2021	3,058,352.91

6. I can confirm that that the Constabulary has 2 electric vehicle charging units at Headquarters and 2 at Fleet, which equates to a total of 8 sockets.

With regard to information relating to unmarked vehicles, Section 31 of the Freedom of Information Act applies.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Gloucestershire Constabulary, when refusing to provide information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states the fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if not otherwise apparent) why the exemption applies.

The following exemption applies:

Section 31(1)(a) – Law Enforcement

The exemption above is qualified and prejudice based therefore both a Public Interest Test and Harm Test are required.

Evidence of Harm

To disclose any of the above requested information for unmarked vehicles could cause subsequent harm to the Police service's ability to protect the public it serves and could prejudice its ability to perform core functions such as the prevention and detection of crime. Releasing such specific information about the Constabulary's vehicle fleet would give individuals the intelligence required to disrupt police activity and give away the Police capability to criminals within Gloucestershire.

The disclosure of information which is likely to undermine the Police service's ability to serve the public in preventing and detecting crime can only be considered as being harmful to the public.

Public Interest Test

Factors in Favour of Disclosure

The disclosure of this information would lead to a better awareness of the Police Vehicle resources in the Force area and provide information and reassurance to the public that adequate resources are in place to protect the Community.

Factors against Disclosure

The disclosure of the details of unmarked police vehicles would compromise law enforcement tactics by identifying policing capabilities and resource, enabling criminals to easily identify unmarked vehicles that may be deployed in covert operations. This would enable more crime to be committed and have an impact on police resources, thereby hindering the prevention and detection of crime.

Balance Test

The Police Service is charged with enforcing the law, preventing and detecting crime and protecting the communities we serve. Whilst there is a public interest in the transparency of policing activity and providing assurance that the police service is appropriately and effectively resourced, there is a very strong public interest in safeguarding the integrity of police operations, tactics and capabilities in order to ensure that the protection of the public is safeguarded. Therefore it is our opinion that the balance of the public interest favours withholding the information.

In accordance with the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this part of your request.

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

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Yours sincerely,

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