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Our reference: FOI_2024_0129

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_2024_0129

On 29/01/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please could you provide me with the following information, in Excel spreadsheet form if possible:

- 1) How many incidents of criminal damage were reported to your force in the following calendar years: 2023, 2022 and 2021.
- 2) How many of those reports resulted in an officer attending the scene in the following calendar years: 2023, 2022 and 2021.

Please could you confirm receipt of this request, and let me know if you require any further clarification.

Many thanks in advance for your kind help.

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 that a search of the incident system has been conducted for incidents recorded between 01/01/2021 – 31/12/2023, and a filter has been applied to the results where a closure code of Criminal Damage has been applied to the incident. This search has included where officers have attended the scene. The results are as follows:

1. The number of incidents of Criminal Damage reported

Year	Criminal damage	Total
2021	3978	3978
2022	3820	3820
2023	3469	3469
Total	11267	11267

2. The number of reports of Criminal Damage where an Officer attended the scene

Year	Attended	Total
2021	1246	1246
2022	1190	1190
2023	781	781
Total	3217	3217

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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