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Our reference: FOI_24_0280

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0280

On 05/03/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1a) How many reports of indecent exposure did your police force record as crimes in 2020?
- b) What was the outcome of each of these reports (Home Office Outcome)
- 2a) How many reports of indecent exposure did your police force record as crimes in 2021?
- b) What was the outcome of each of these reports (Home Office Outcome)
- 3a) How many reports of indecent exposure did your police force record as crimes in 2022?
- b) What was the outcome of each of these reports (Home Office Outcome)
- 4a) How many reports of indecent exposure did your police force record as crimes in 2023?
- b) What was the outcome of each of these reports (Home Office Outcome)

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.

I can confirm a search has been conducted for all substantiated crimes for the period of 01/01/2020 to 31/12/2023 where the offence of exposure has been recorded. This has been broken down by year and the recorded outcome of each crime.

Outcome	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Action undertaken by another body/agency			1	3	4
Charged/Summonsed	6	4	14	6	30
Evidential difficulties (suspect identified; victim supports action)	11	18	18	17	64
Evidential difficulties (victim does not support action)	11	24	21	19	75
Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest (police decision)	2	2	.	.	4
Investigation complete - no suspect identified	6	16	26	42	90
Investigation ongoing	.	.	.	3	3
Out of court (formal)	1	.	.	.	1
Out of court (informal)	.	1	1	2	4
Prosecution prevented or not in the public interest	.	2	4	7	13
Total	37	67	85	99	288

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,

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