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Our reference: FOI_24_0372

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0372

On 04/04/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I would like to know how many public order offences were given out for/reports were made of public urination between March 12th and March 17th 2024 in the Pittville, Prestbury and St Pauls wards of Cheltenham. I would also like to know the same data for the same locations but for March 5th through to March 10th.

I would like to know how many reports of sexual harassment were made to Gloucestershire Police between March 12th and March 17th 2024 in the Pittville, Prestbury and St Pauls wards of Cheltenham. I would also like to know the same data for the same locations but for March 5th through to March 10th.

This was further clarified with you and our response below is based on your reply.

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.

Regarding the public order offences the following applies

A search was carried out on our incident recording system for the dates of 05.03.24 – 10.03.24 and 12.03.24 – 17.03.24 and where the community recorded is Pittville or Prestbury & St Paul's. A filter has then been applied to return only the records where the following terms are contained;

- Sexual
- sexual harassment
- groping
- urination
- urinating
- relieving
- weeing
- peeing

This initially returned a total of 21 records which were then manually reviewed for relevance to your request. This reduced the results to 5.

These 5 records were further reviewed for the outcome; for the outcome of fines/penalty notices I can confirm the total is 0.

A search was carried out on our crime recording system for the dates of 05.03.24 – 10.03.24 and 12.03.24 – 17.03.24 and where the community recorded is Pittville or Prestbury & St Paul's. A filter has then been applied to return only the records where the following offences are recorded;

- Rape of a female aged 16 or over,
- Attempted rape of a female aged 16 or over,
- Assault on a female by penetration
- Sexual assault on a female,
- Causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent (female *person),
- Exposure,
- Voyeurism,
- Voyeurism (additional offences – upskirting),
- harassment,
- breach of a sexual risk order/risk of sexual harm order,
- breach of a domestic abuse protection order,

This has returned a total of 3 records.

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 –

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Yours sincerely,

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