



Your reference: n/a

Our reference: FOI_24_0473

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0473

On 29/04/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1. The average time from application to grant of a firearm certificate in the calendar year 2023
2. The average time from application to grant of a shotgun certificate in the calendar year 2023
3. The current predicted wait times, from application to grant, for firearm certificates and shotgun certificates.

Although the Home Office publishes annual statistics on firearm licensing annually, the information I am requesting is not included in these statistics and therefore not already publicly available.

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

For questions 1 & 2 I can confirm that The Constabulary holds no relevant information. Although we are not obliged to create data to answer FOI requests, in order for us to try and work out an average time we would have to manually review all applications dealt with within 2023.

3. The Constabulary is currently advising applicants a minimum of 12 months.

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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