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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0608

On 24/06/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1. How many reports of thefts from domestic gardens have you received in each of the past two years and YTD included
2. What were the top 10 things stolen from domestic gardens in the past two years and YTD?
3. How many of these reports included thefts of outdoor plants / trees?
4. How many of these reports included theft of ornaments/structures?
5. What was the reported value of the plants / trees stolen? (£ sterling)

On the 28/06/2024 we asked you to clarify your request, you confirmed you wanted us to search for the offence of Burglary 28I Residential burglary of a home and to search for the property of:

garden|not tool|
garden|not tool|barbecue
garden|not tool|clothes line
garden|not tool|furniture
garden|not tool|hanging basket
garden|not tool|ornament / tub / staddle stone
garden|not tool|other
garden|not tool|peat / compost etc
garden||
hand tool|not power|garden hose
hand tool|power|garden vacuum / blower
machinery & plant|garden shredder|
garden||
garden|not tool|
garden|not tool|barbecue

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garden|not tool|furniture
garden|not tool|hanging basket
garden|not tool|ornament / tub / staddle stone
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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 of the Crime Recording system for substantiated crimes recorded between 01/01/2022 and 21/06/2024 for the offences below.

Please note that offence of 28E – Burglary residential applies to crimes before April 2023 and includes unconnected buildings. The offence 28I – Residential burglary of a home is for post April 2023 and does not include unconnected buildings therefore, a further offence of 28m has been included to capture this data.

We have filtered this data for the property items listed above where it has been listed as stolen or recovered. The Constabulary does not routinely record property items that do not have a unique identifier and of those recorded only approximate values are recorded.

1. 2022 – 6
2023 – 3
2024 – 0

2.

Top 10 items
Strimmer
Brush cutter
Hedge trimmer
Vacuum blower
Power drill and attachments

Chainsaw
Lawn mower
Pressure washer
Garden tools
Bike

3. For the date range requested there were 0 results
4. For the date range requested there were 0 results
5. No information held

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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