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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0665

On 12/07/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Please can you provide me with the following information relating to Registered Sex Offenders (RSOs) and Sexual Harm Prevention Orders (SHPOs) under FOIA?

- 1/ a) How many registered sex offenders (RSOs) are there currently within the force's jurisdiction (on the date this request is answered)?
b) How many RSOs were within the force's jurisdiction in the 4 preceding years (i.e. 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020)?
c) How many people are currently on SHPOs within the force's jurisdiction?
d) How many people were on SHPOs in the 4 preceding years (i.e. 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020)?
- 2/ How many police officers are currently responsible for overseeing people on RSOs and SHPOs (where officers are part-time, please regard this as a 0.5 officer)? If there are different teams overseeing RSOs or SHPOs, please provide the different team sizes.
- 3/ a) How many people on SHPOs have been found to have breached the requirements of SHPOs in the year to date, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020?
b) Of those, how many received a custodial sentence (broken down by year)
- 4/ How many people on SHPOs are currently missing i.e. the force does not know their whereabouts?

Please use the response template to provide the information, which is attached.

For questions relating to preceding years please use the final day of the year (December 31st) as a comparator or, if collated differently, please try and compare with a similar set day or month in preceding years.

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 your request has been sent to the relevant departments and a search has also been conducted of the Crime Recording System for substantiated crimes recorded between 01/01/2020 – 12/07/2024, a filter has then been applied for the offences of 068/08 – Breach of Sexual Harm Prevention Order and Breach SHPO/interim SHPO/SOPO/interim SOPO/Foregin travel order or fail to comply with a requirement under Sec 103D (4) in relation to a SHPO. The results area as follows:

1. 753

1b.

Year	Total
2020	473
2021	534
2022	610
2023	702

1c. 446

1d.

Year	Total
2020	325
2021	365
2022	431
2023	462

2. 1 Detective Inspector
2 Detective Sergeants
11.5 Police Officers

3.

Year	Total
2021	3
2022	21

2023	25
2024	48
Total	97

3b. Please note that the Constabulary only holds data in relation to the number of individuals charged/summoned for a particular offence. The ultimate outcome of these offences depends on what happens at court i.e. whether the offender is found guilty (convicted) or not. This information comes from the court results which do not come within our systems. Hence we record the detection disposals for each case but do not have the ultimate conviction data.

Therefore any information relating to the outcome of a case, the length of sentence or whether any appeal was made is not held by the constabulary, but by the HM Courts Service. Please find a link below to their website:

www.justice.gov.uk/

4. Gloucestershire Constabulary have no RSO's on a SHPO that are currently missing.

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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