



Your reference: n/a

Our reference: FOI_24_1090

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_1090

On 02/12/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Thank you for your response to FOI ref FOI_24_0987, which I have attached for you.

I have a follow up request, which I am submitting according to the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please note there is one part to my request.

According to 0987, there were 233 crimes recorded for assaulting an emergency worker between 2022 and 2024 where the sex of the offender was recorded as female.

How many of those crimes were recorded when a "domestic incident" was recorded as part of the crime/arrest.

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

The information you have requested is not held in an easily retrievable format. The "domestic incident" the police attended would not be part of the assault of an emergency worker crime, and would require cross referencing other records to determine why they were at that location.

Therefore, in order to ascertain if the assault took place following attendance to a domestic incident would require us to firstly, manually review all of these MO's to see if any of this information has been recorded. Secondly, we would need to review the offender details and then manually review offender records to see if there were any DA tagged crimes, which resulted in police attendance. From there we would need to see if the location of the incident and assault match.

Please note that the police may also do follow up calls and it could be at this point the assault took place, so when performing a search of the offender records we would need to widen the timescales, which could result in having to review potentially hundreds of records/people. This would therefore take longer than the 18 hours prescribed by the Freedom of Information Act.

Section 17(5) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Gloucestershire Constabulary, when refusing to provide information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states the fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if not otherwise apparent) why the exemption applies.

In relation to your request Section 12 applies.

Section 12(1) – Fee Regulations states:

Section 1(1) of the Act does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit. (As detailed in the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Fees Regulations of 2004)

The appropriate limit at the moment is £450 calculated at an hourly rate of £25 per hour for all staff time incurred in:

- i. Determining whether information is held
- ii. Locating it
- iii. Retrieving it
- iv. Extracting the information to be disclosed from the other information.

In accordance with the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for your request.

Unfortunately, I'm unable to assist in suggesting ways of refining your request to come within the confines of Section 12 of the Act. Even reducing the timescale would not reduce the number of records enough that a manual review could be conducted within the timescale but still provide meaningful information.

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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