



Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.0184

On 08/02/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I would like to submit a Freedom of Information request to find out about how many LGBTQ+ hate crimes Gloucestershire Police have dealt with in the past 5 years - so 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (up to the most recent stats available in 2023).

I would like to know:

- How many LGBTQ+ hate crimes have been reported in the force's area since 2018?
- What type of crimes have been committed?
- How many prosecutions have there been in this timeframe?

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 that a search has been conducted of the Crime Recording System for hate tagged crimes relevant to your request recorded from 01/01/2018 to 31/01/2023.

1. Please see the table below:

Year	No. of Crime
2018	76
2019	127
2020	126
2021	213

2022	285
2023	19
Total	846

2. Please see the table below for the offences recorded:

Offence	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Arson and criminal damage	3	13	6	5	15		42
Burglary	2			1	1		4
Fraud			1	2			3
Public Order	36	59	47	94	92	6	334
Robbery			1	1	2		4
Sexual offences	2		1	1	5	1	10
Theft	5		1	2	3		11
Vehicle offences			2				2
Violence against the person	28	55	67	107	167	12	436
Total	76	127	126	213	285	19	846

3. No information held.

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/

Outside of the Act and in order to assist, although we can't confirm the Court outcomes, I have provided the following Police Outcomes:

Police Outcomes	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Adult Caution		1		2			3
Adult Conditional Caution	2						2
Det Charge / Summons	8	13	13	12	8		54
Det NFA No Useful Purpose			1				1
Det NFA Penalty Notice Disorder	3						3
Det NFA Time Limit Expired				1	1		2

Further Investigation Not In Public Interest	3	8	2	2	7		22
Investigation Complete - No Suspect	26	26	24	48	56	1	181
IP Does Not Support - No Suspect	6	8	13	32	17		76
IP Does Not Support - Suspect Identified	17	51	55	72	86	5	286
IP Supports - Suspect Identified	10	15	18	32	36	1	112
Other Force Agency		4		2	6		12
Restorative Disposal Level 1	1			4	2		7
Restorative Disposal Level 2		1		1			2
Undetected				4	61	12	77
Youth Diversionary				1	5		6
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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.

Yours sincerely,

Disclosure Officer
Gloucestershire Constabulary