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Our reference: FOI_25_1058
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Date: 03/07/2026

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_1058

On 04/11/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1. How many adults have been detained in Section 136 Suites (or health-based places of safety) for longer than 72 hours across England between 2022-2025?
2. How many children have been detained in Section 136 Suites (or health-based places of safety) for longer than 24 hours across England between 2022-2025?
3. How many children are held in adult suites (or health-based places of safety) or police cells when child-appropriate suits aren't available between 2022-2025?
4. How many adults have been detained in 136 suites or health-based places of safety in the past 3 years?
5. How many children have been detained in 136 suites or health-based places of safety in the past 3 years?

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

Following receipt of your request, we have sourced this to our specialist with Gloucestershire Constabulary who have provided us with the relevant responses

Unfortunately regarding Q1, Q2 and Q3 to be able to gain the accurate figures we would need to locate each form and then manually review each form which is held within Gloucestershire Constabulary to identify the details of your requests due to this it would exceed the 18 hours

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.

Providing Information Outside of the Act

By way of assistance and although excess cost removes the Force's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, we have supplied the information relevant to your request which has already been retrieved. We trust this is helpful but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

Q4) 1326

Q5) 9

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 –

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House

Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

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