



Your reference:

Our reference: FOI_25_0287

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Date: 31/03/2025

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0287

On 11/03/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Q1. Can you please provide the total number of reported road incidents and collisions where

poor eyesight was recorded as a contributing factor?

Q2. Can you please provide a breakdown of these incidents by severity (eg: fatal, serious, and slight collisions)?

Q3. Can you please provide a demographic breakdown of the drivers involved by age, gender, and region/city/post code

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

Over the total period of 01/01/2022 – 11/03/2025 there were 2 road incidents where eye sight was a contributing factor. Any further breakdown is exempt by section 40

Section 17 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.

With regard to the above requested information, the following exemption applies:

Section 40(2) – Personal Information

Section 40(2) applies to third party personal data. This would not be released under the Freedom of Information Act unless there is a strong public interest. This is because any release would breach the Data Protection Principles contained within the Data Protection Act 2018, namely the first principle which requires that personal information be processed lawfully, fairly and with transparency. The Constabulary will not release any information under the Freedom of Information Act which may result in the identification of an individual and in particular the victim of a crime. Due in part to the low number of crimes covered by your request, and the specific nature of the crimes, it is highly likely that an individual may be identified and this includes the potential for a victim of a crime or their family/ friends to identify themselves in any information disclosed.

This exemption is absolute and class based therefore I am not required to apply either the public interest test or harm test in disclosure.

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
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Yours sincerely,

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