



Your reference:

Our reference: FOI_25_0540

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Date: 19/11/2025

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0540

On 27/05/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Please can you tell me how many people are currently released under investigation (as of 23 May 2025), the offence/s they were arrested for and how long they have been RUI.

How many suspects currently RUI have been re-arrested for another offence - please state the offence/s they were rearrested for and the date they were re-arrested.

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

Unfortunately, it's not possible to electronically search for the information you have requested.

The primary function of the Constabulary's Arrest Recording System is to assist the Constabulary in adhering to Code C of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act. As such, its reporting function is limited.

Once an individual has been released under investigation, this custody outcome is unlikely to be updated once an individual is charged or NFA'd, meaning it is therefore not possible to electronically determine which records correctly denote 'released under investigation'. The only way to determine if the RUI status is correct is to manually review the arrest record. In addition, there is no way to electronically identify if the individual has been arrested at a later time for other offences. The only way to determine this is to locate the record of the detainee and manually search for any additional custody events linked to their record. A review of that record will then be required to determine whether the details are relevant to your request. These searches and manual reviews would 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.

Section 16 – unable to assist

Unfortunately, I am unable to provide any assistance under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act as I am unable to suggest any way to refine your request to come within the cost constraints of Section 12 of the Act.

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,

Disclosure Officer
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