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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0567

On 03/06/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Gloucestershire Constabulary relating to offences under Clause 66B of the Sexual Offences Act 2003. Please may you provide me with:

- 1) The number of offences under Clause 66B of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 reported to Gloucestershire Constabulary since 1st January 2024
- 2) The total number of charges for summary offences under Clause 66B of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 brought by Gloucestershire Constabulary since 1st January 2024; and the number of convictions resulting from these charges.
- 3) The number of cases relating to offences under Clause 66B of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 referred to the Crown Prosecution Service by Gloucestershire Constabulary since 1st January 2024.

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 crimes recorded from 01/01/2024 to 31/05/2025 whereby the offence recorded was one of the following (under Section 66B of the Sexual Offences Act 2003):

- 088/15 - Share Photograph or film of person in intimate state for the purpose of sexual gratification
- 088/15 - Share photograph or film of person in intimate state intending to cause alarm distress or humiliation
- 175/08 - Share photograph or film of person in intimate state without consent
- 088/15 - Threaten to share photograph or film of person in intimate state

Please see the results in the table below:

Outcome Types	No. of Crimes
3 - Adult Caution	1
14 - Evidential difficulties: suspect not identified; victim does not support further action	12
15 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim supports action	15
16 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim does not support further action	40
18 - Investigation complete: no suspect identified	23
20 - Action undertaken by another body/agency	2
21 - Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest	4
Unknown	21
Total	118

Given the time period that these crimes were recorded, there will clearly still be some whereby the investigation has not yet concluded.

Please see the following link with regard to the descriptions of the Outcome Types.

[Police recorded crime and outcomes open data tables user guide - GOV.UK](#)

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/

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
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Yours sincerely,

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