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Our reference: FOI_25_0634

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0634

On 24/06/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Definition

For the purposes of this request, a “hit and run” refers to a “fail to stop collision” or a “fail to stop RTC (Road Traffic Collision)”, where a driver involved in a collision does not remain at the scene as required by law.

Please provide the following data for each calendar year from 2019 to 2025 (inclusive):

1. The total number of recorded road traffic collisions identified as “fail to stop collisions” or “fail to stop RTCs”.
2. A breakdown of these incidents by:
 - o Year/Month
 - o Outcome (e.g. suspect identified, suspect charged, no suspect traced)
 - o Whether any injuries were recorded (if available, broken down by severity: minor, serious, fatal)
3. The number of individuals arrested or charged in connection with hit-and-run incidents each year.
4. The number of hit-and-run incidents involving:
 - o A pedestrian
 - o A cyclist
 - o Another motor vehicle
 - o Other road users (e.g. motorbike, scooter)
5. Where recorded, please provide:
 - o The age and gender of the victim(s) involved in each incident.
 - o The age and gender of any identified or charged suspect(s) (perpetrators).

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

Fail to Stop offences are recorded on the Case Recording System. We are unable to electronically extract the breakdown of information requested from this system, therefore a manual review of all Fail to Stop offences is required to determine if the record has been created in relation to the causing of an injury ("hit & run"). An initial search for records has returned over 800 records.

In addition, in relation to arrest data, whilst there is a FTS (fail to stop) reason for arrest code, a manual review of these is also required to determine relevance to your request. Initial searches have returned almost 300 records.

Carrying out a manual review of these records would take far longer than the 18 hours prescribed by the Freedom of Information Act.

Please see below for suggestions on how you can refine your request to come within the cost constraints of section 12 of the 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 – Duty to Assist

If you were to reduce the timeframe of the request to the most recent 6month period, a manual review may be possible.

If data for the reduced period of time would still be useful to you, you can resubmit the request.

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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