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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0730

On 23/07/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from January 2022 to December 2024:

- 1) A list of use of force incidents that occurred in public order scenarios, using the following tactics: limb and body restraints, ground restraints, irritant spray, spit guards, Conducted Energy Devices (CEDs; such as tasers), and Attenuating Energy Projectiles (AEPS; such as baton rounds).
- 2) Regarding CEDs and AEPs, could you please specify whether instances where this equipment was used involved the device actually being fired or simply drawn.
- 3) Please could you include a brief description of each incident?

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary holds no 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.

A search of Use of Force recorded data has been conducted. Within the data set, there is a field titled "Public Order Event". All records are populated with "no". There is, therefore, no information held in answer to your 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
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Yours sincerely,

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