



Your reference:

Our reference: FOI_25_0782

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Date: 27/08/2025

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0782

On 06/08/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Please can I be provided with the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- The number of arrests at your force under the Terrorism Act 2000 so far this year (2025).
- The number of 2025 arrests under section 12, and the number under section 13.
- The number of arrests under the Terrorism Act 2000 in the annual year 2024.
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- The number of arrests under the Terrorism Act 2000 in the annual year 2023.
- The number of 2023 arrests under section 12, and the number under section 13.

- For the arrests under section 13 in 2025, please can you provide a list of the types of items seized in any house raids conducted as a result of these arrests. E.g. laptops, literature, phones

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 for the period of 01/01/2023 to 05/08/2025 there has been less than 5 arrests related to a Section 12 Terrorism Act offence.

Please be advised that no further breakdown will be provided by virtue of Section 40 of FOIA.

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 regards to the breakdown of relevant 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. The disclosure of any information which could lead to the identification of an individual would breach the Data Protection Principles contained within the Data Protection Act 2018, namely the first principle which states that personal data shall be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to individuals.

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

In accordance with the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this part of your request.

Consideration has to be made regarding any information that is already known to members of the public and/or in the public domain that combined with information disclosed under the FOI legislation could identify individuals. Therefore, although there is a legitimate interest in disclosing information surrounding this type of offence, any such disclosure cannot override the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the individuals involved.

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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