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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0924

On 17/09/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am currently examining the use of driving simulation technology within police driver training.

I would like to request the following information where possible to aid with the research I am conducting.

1. Does this police force use any form of driving simulation technology in training its drivers?
2. Which driving courses, basic, standard or advanced this technology is applied to?
3. Has the use of this technology completely replaced on the road driver training or sections of this?
4. Has the use of simulators had an affect on the cost of driver training and if so, what were those affects?
5. What format of simulator is used? Example of this would be one screen, steering wheel and pedals.
6. Any information on how many road traffic collisions involving police vehicles within your force took place in 2024.
7. Any information on how many of those road traffic collisions were deemed to be the fault of the police driver.
8. Any information on how many of those road traffic collisions took place during driver training.
9. Any information on how much the road traffic collisions deemed to be the fault of the police driver cost the police force.
10. How many/ if any of those road traffic collisions ended in injury or fatality?

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

Q1: Gloucestershire Constabulary's Driver Trainer Unit does not use any form of simulation within driver training.

Qs 2 – 5: N/A

Q6: 95 RTCs

Q7: 44 police fault

Q8: 1 took place during driver training (not police fault)

Q9: £32,603

Q10: 0 fatality / unknown injuries

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

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Yours sincerely,

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