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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0946

On 26/09/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Your Request

Request 1:

What would you like to know?: Q1. The total number of crimes reported to Gloucestershire Constabulary that were committed

on, or in connection with, the online gaming platform Roblox from 2008 to the present date.

Q2. A breakdown of the types of crimes reported (e.g., harassment, fraud, sexual offences, grooming, etc.) in relation to Roblox.

Q3. The number of these cases that have resulted in a prosecution.

Request 2:

What would you like to know?: Q1. The total number of crimes reported to Gloucestershire Constabulary that were committed

on, or in connection with, the online platform Discord from 1 January 2015 to the present date.

Q2. A breakdown of the types of crimes reported (e.g., harassment, fraud, sexual offences, grooming, Terrorism, coordinated self harm etc.) in relation to Discord.

Q3. The number of these cases that have resulted in a prosecution.

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.

Request 1:

Q1, Q2

Offence	Total
Cause or incite the sexual exploitation of a child - Child 13 - 17	1
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - Female child - no penetration	1
Encouraging or assisting serious self-harm	1
Engage in sexual communication with a child	6
Harassment	1
Putting people in fear of violence	1
Racially or religiously aggravated harassment or stalking without violence	1
Send communication threatening death or serious harm	1
Send indecent or grossly offensive communication to cause distress or anxiety	4
Take/ make / distribute indecent photographs or pseudo- photographs, of children	4
Grand Total	21

Q3

Row Labels	Count of Outcome
1 - Charged/Summons	1
11 - Prosecution prevented - suspect under age	2

14 - Evidential difficulties: suspect not identified; victim does not support further action	2
15 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim supports action	3
16 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim does not support action	1
18 - Investigation complete: no suspect identified	8
21 - Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest	2
Excluded	2
Grand Total	21

Request 2:

Q1, Q2

Offence	Total
Blackmail	15
Breach a sexual risk order / risk of sexual harm order etc or fail to comply with requirement under Sec 122 C (4) in relation to a sexual risk order.	1
Cause or incite the sexual exploitation of a child - Child 13 - 17	1
Causing a child under 13 to watch a sexual act - Offender aged 18 or over	1
Causing a child under 16 to watch a sexual act - Offender under 18	1
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity - Male child - no penetration	1
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Female child - no penetration	1
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Female child - no penetration - Offender under 18	1
Causing or inciting a child under 16 to engage in sexual activity - Male child -no penetration	1
Common assault and battery	1
Concealing etc. criminal property	1
Disclose private sexual photographs with intent to cause distress	1
Engage in controlling/coercive behaviour in an intimate / family relationship.	1
Engage in sexual communication with a child	15
Harassment	4
Putting people in fear of violence	2
Racially or religiously aggravated harassment or stalking with fear of violence	4
Rape of a female child under 13 by a male	1
Require person to perform forced or compulsory labour	1

Send communication threatening death or serious harm	1
Send indecent or grossly offensive communication to cause distress or anxiety	10
Take/ make / distribute indecent photographs or pseudo- photographs, of children	61
Grand Total	126

Q3

Outcome	Total
1 - Charged/Summons	19
14 - Evidential difficulties: suspect not identified; victim does not support further action	7
15 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim supports action	22
16 - Evidential difficulties: suspect identified; victim does not support action	11
18 - Investigation complete: no suspect identified	33
20 - Action undertaken by another body/agency	1
21 - Further investigation to support formal action not in the public interest	21
22 - Diversionary	8
Excluded	4
Grand Total	126

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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