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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0983

On 08/10/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

We are contacting police forces to request an update on involvement with sex work liaison officer roles since our previous FOI request. We would be grateful for any updates.

Q1: Do you have an individual officer/team/unit dedicated to sex worker liaison work - that is aimed at supporting sex workers who are victims of crime/vulnerable?

Q1a: If yes, what is the role/team/unit called?

Q1b: Under what strategic or operational unit does the officer/team/unit sit?

Q1c: Is the role operational across the whole force or only in specific areas?

Q1d: If only in specific areas which?

Q2: How many officers (FTE equivalent) work in these roles/teams/units?

Q2a: Is this role/s fulfilled by a police officer or civilian?

Q2b: Are these officers/teams/units exclusively dedicated to Sex Worker Liaison work or do they have other responsibilities?

Q2c: If they have other responsibilities please list them here.

Q2d: How many sex workers do these roles/teams/units work with across a year? (1-50; 50-100; 100-200; 200+; we don't keep a record)

Q2e: Which sex work populations do they mainly work with? (on-street/indoor/online/migrant/across all sex work populations)

Q3: Do you have a role profile/job description for this role?

Q3a: If yes, is this the JD published by the NPCC, College of Policing or the University of York or was it produced locally?

Q3b: If locally produced, could you please attach a copy of the JD?

Q3c: At what grade is the role positioned?

Q4: With which partner agencies do these officers/teams/units work most closely? [Please list top 5]

Q5: With which other police units/teams do these officers/teams/units work most closely? [Please list top 5]

Q5a: Have you liaised with any other forces about your involvement with SWLOs?

If it would be easier to arrange a meeting to discuss this, we would be happy to do so, please let us know what works best for you.

In addition, as our work on sex work liaison officer roles progresses, we would be happy to keep you updated if this would be of interest, please do let us know.

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

Q1: Yes – 1 x DC, aided by 1 x PC on occasions

Q1a: The DC is part of the Safeguarding and Vulnerabilities Team

Q1b: As above

Q1c: Gloucester area

Q1d: Gloucester City, Barton & Tredworth areas

Q2: The DC works 1-2 days a week. The PC is full time and supports on occasion when needed.

Q2a: Police officers

Q2b: No - they have other responsibilities

Q2c: The DC has safeguarding and vulnerability roles including High Intensity Service Users. The PC is a Neighbourhood Police Officer

Q2d: 1-50

Q2e: Across all sex work but mainly on-street

Q3: No

Q3a: N/A

Q3b: N/A

Q3c: Police Constable

Q4: Nelson Trust, Social Care, Probation & Mental Health.

Q5: NPT, RASSO, CET, MASH, MIST

Q5a: Not yet

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.

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Yours sincerely,

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