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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_1141

On 25/11/2025 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1) The number of police officers and police staff who faced misconduct or disciplinary action where the primary allegation involved:

- Misuse of force IT systems
- Accessing inappropriate or pornographic material while on duty
- Gaming, streaming or social media use while on duty
- Other forms of time-wasting or non-police activity while on duty

2) For each case, if held:

- The outcome of the misconduct process

If any part of this request is unclear or too broad, I would be grateful if you could contact me to refine it. If any information is held but exempt from disclosure, please outline the relevant exemption and your justification for its use.

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.

Searches were conducted for the number of police officers and police staff who faced misconduct or disciplinary action in 2024, where the primary allegation was:

- Misuse of force IT systems
- Accessing inappropriate or pornographic material while on duty
- Gaming, streaming or social media use while on duty
- Other forms of time-wasting or non-police activity while on duty

The following information can be shared in response to your questions:

Allegation	Outcome	Total
Misuse of force IT systems	Dismissal	2
	Final Written Warning	2
	Resigned – Would have been dismissed	1
	Reflective Practice	1
	No Action	2
	Awaiting Outcome	5
Accessing inappropriate or pornographic material while on duty	N/A	0
Gaming, streaming or social media use while on duty	N/A	0
Other forms of time-wasting or non-police activity while on duty	N/A	0

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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