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Dear

**Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI\_26\_0194**

On 17/02/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am seeking high-level, aggregated financial information only relating to your force's vehicle recovery scheme. No transaction-level data, contracts, supplier pricing, or operational detail is requested.

Please provide the following, for FY 2024/25 and (if held) FY 2025/26 forecast:

1. Total annual cost of operating the vehicle recovery scheme (single aggregated figure per year is sufficient).
2. Total annual income received by the Force i.e. statutory vehicle recovery, storage and disposal fees, sale, auction, breaking or scrapping of vehicles
3. Net surplus or deficit for the vehicle recovery scheme for each year, as recorded in your accounts.
4. Confirmation of the basis (statutory provision, Home Office / NPCC guidance, or internal policy) used by the force to ensure statutory vehicle recovery fees operate on a cost-recovery basis and not as a profit-generating activity.

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

Following receipt of your request, a search was undertaken by one of the Constabulary's subject matter experts (SME) for any relevant and recorded information to answer your questions. The information they retrieved can be found below.

1. Total annual cost of operating the vehicle recovery scheme
  - 24/25 - £51,045.23
  - 25/26 - £61,513.44
2. Total annual income received by the Force i.e. statutory vehicle recovery, storage and disposal fees, sale, auction, breaking or scrapping of vehicles
  - 24/25 - £88,798.62
  - 25/26 - £160,105.71
3. Net surplus or deficit for the vehicle recovery scheme for each year, as recorded in your accounts. (figures are minus income from burnt out vehicles as not part of FOI request)
  - 24/25 – £37,753.39
  - 25/26 – £98,592.26
4. Confirmation of the basis (statutory provision, Home Office / NPCC guidance, or internal policy) used by the force to ensure statutory vehicle recovery fees operate on a cost-recovery basis and not as a profit-generating activity. A document title, reference, or link is sufficient.
  - Gloucestershire Constabulary follows statutory information available to the public on Gov.uk website

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](mailto:casework@ico.org.uk)

Post – Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
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Yours sincerely,

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