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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_25_0298

On 16/03/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1. Does your police force maintain a repository, database, or central storage system for Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship (PCDA) students' dissertations?
2. If such a repository exists, is the content accessible to all officers and staff within your force?
 - For example, can officers search, read, or download previous PCDA dissertations?
 - If access is limited, please outline who may view the repository.

I would be grateful if you could provide any relevant policies, guidance documents, or descriptions relating to how PCDA dissertations are stored and accessed.

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

All student officer dissertations are uploaded via the Constabulary's Research Repository with the name of the student and a brief summary of their dissertation. These are accessible to all members of staff and full copies of the student dissertations are able to be downloaded via this page.

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
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Yours sincerely,

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