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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0303

On 18/03/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following information for the last three full calendar years (2023, 2024, 2025):

Please break all of the following down by year (2023, 2024, 2025):

1. The number of recorded offences involving the use of an acid or other corrosive substance against a person.
 - 1a) Where held, the number of those offences that resulted in a sentence.
 - 1b) Where held, the number of those offences in which no custodial sentence was imposed.
 - 1c) Where held, the number of those offences in which no suspect was identified.

Please provide your response in PDF format.

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.

Following a search of the Constabulary's crime recording database, we were able to locate all substantiated crimes recorded between 01/01/2023 – 31/12/2025 with the Home Office (HO) classification 005/07: throwing corrosive fluids with intent to do grievous bodily harm (GBH). This search returned 3 crimes. Due to the low number returned, we will not be able to break this down any further.

The outcome of all three crimes was investigation complete: no suspect identified.

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 –

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Wycliffe House
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Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely,

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