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Our reference: FOI_26_0459

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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0459

On 11/05/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please disclose:

In your police force area, how many incidents of "Asian gold theft" have taken place in each of the calendar years, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

To clarify: "Asian gold theft" is the theft of gold from Asian families. Criminals are targeting Asian families knowing that many have gold, for cultural reasons. If you are unable to narrow the results down specifically to Asian families, I would also accept the number of thefts of gold from domestic properties.

I respectfully draw your attention to previous similar requests that have been successfully disclosed under FOI. For example: Devon & Cornwall Police, Dorset Police & Northamptonshire Police. These forces are among a large number who have released similar data.

I would like to receive this information electronically, either as a PDF, email or MS Word document. My preferred method of communication regarding this request is email.

If you choose to refuse all or part of my request, I ask that you do so with reference to specific exemptions identified in the Act.

If you are encountering practical difficulties complying with this request, please contact me (in line with your section 16 duty to advise and assist requesters) so that we can discuss the matter and if necessary I can modify the request.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary does not hold any relevant information.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted for crimes recorded from 01/01/2021 to 31/12/2025 for thefts (including burglary and robbery) of metal [gold] from residential dwellings. The free text fields were searched. 0 records were returned.

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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