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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0604

On 26/06/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would be grateful if you could provide the following information.

For each of the last three years (2023, 2024 and 2025), please provide:

1. The number of recorded voyeurism offences in which the use of a drone was identified or otherwise recorded
2. Of those, the number which resulted in an arrest
3. Of those, the number of suspects charge (or a charged/summonsed outcome).

If it is easier to search using keywords rather than offence codes, I am content for you to identify relevant cases using terms such as "drone", "UAV", "unmanned aerial vehicle", or similar terminology within the MO, occurrence summary or investigation notes.

If this request would exceed the appropriate cost limit, please advise how it could be refined to fall within the limit.

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 of the Constabulary's crime recording database for substantiated crimes committed from 01/01/2023 to 31/12/2025 under the category of sexual offences with the offence of voyeurism. A free text search was applied to look for those offences that referenced 'drone', 'UAV', or 'unmanned aerial vehicle'.

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.

In response the questions you asked in your request:

Q1 – 1 recorded voyeurism offence was identified in which the use of a drone was identified or otherwise recorded.

Q2 / Q3 – no suspect was identified and the investigation is marked as complete.

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
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely,

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