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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request for: 26_0822

On 28/08/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I'm writing to request information on data protection impact assessment (DPIA) documents produced by your organisation between the dates of 31st August 2024 and 31st August 2026.

For each DPIA, please list the following:

- Title
- Creation date
- Most recent review date
- Project summary (if applicable)

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

Following receipt of your request, contact was made with one of the Constabulary's subject matter experts (SME) regarding DPIAs. The SME conducted some initial searches and has advised the following:

There is no method by which we can readily retrieve information from our systems to answer this request. Due to the unstructured way that DPIAs have been recorded, there is no easy way to obtain the data you require. All data holders for each DPIA would need to be contacted to establish whether any exemptions under the FOI Act need to be applied to the data. To achieve this task would therefore exceed the 18-hour time and cost threshold of the FOI Act by some considerable margin.

Therefore, section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act is engaged.

Please see below for suggestions on how you may be able to refine your request to come within the cost constraints of Section 12 of the Act.

Section 17(5) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Gloucestershire Constabulary, when refusing to provide information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states the fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if not otherwise apparent) why the exemption applies.

In relation to your request Section 12 applies.

Section 12(1) – Fee Regulations states:

Section 1(1) of the Act does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit. (As detailed in the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Fees Regulations of 2004)

The appropriate limit at the moment is £450 calculated at an hourly rate of £25 per hour for all staff time incurred in:

- i. Determining whether information is held
- ii. Locating it
- iii. Retrieving it
- iv. Extracting the information to be disclosed from the other information.

In accordance with the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for your request.

Section 16 – unable to assist

Unfortunately, I'm unable to assist in suggesting ways of refining your request to come within the confines of Section 12 of the Act.

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

Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Yours sincerely,

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