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Date: 14/10/2026

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0858

On 10/09/2026 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 like to request the following information:

1. As of 1st September 2026, [or, the most recent date for which data is available], how many serving police officers within your force have money deducted directly from their wages by the Child Maintenance Service (CMS), via a Deduction from Earnings Order (DEO) or equivalent arrangement?

2. Of the officers identified in Question 1, what percentage are female?

If it would assist in answering this request, I am happy for the response to be provided as raw numbers (rather than percentages) so that I can calculate proportions myself.

If an exact figure would breach your disclosure threshold (e.g. due to small numbers risking identification of individuals), please provide the information as a banded range instead (e.g. "1–5", "6–10", "11–20") rather than withholding it entirely.

If any part of this request is refused, please specify the relevant exemption(s) under the Act and provide the required explanation. If the request is likely to exceed the cost limit under Section 12, please advise whether a narrower version of the request (e.g. the most recent full year) could be answered within the limit.

This request has been sent to all UK police forces for comparative purposes.

I would be grateful for a response within the statutory 20 working days.

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

We are committed to being an anti-discriminatory organisation. This means not only acting in a non-discriminatory way, but addressing systemic inequalities, disadvantage and discrimination.

Following receipt of your request, searched were conducted and I can confirm that the Constabulary has no officers who have a payment deducted directly from their wages by the Child Maintenance Service.

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
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Yours sincerely,

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