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Date: 09/11/2026

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0952

On 07/10/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information held by your police force regarding recorded offences, crimes, or incidents involving Meta smart glasses (including Ray-Ban Meta smart glasses and Ray-Ban Stories).

Search Methodology & Keyword Guidance

To assist with retrieving this information within the statutory cost limit set out under Section 12 of the FOIA, please conduct an electronic keyword search (or database query) across your primary crime recording systems, command and control incident logs, and Modus Operandi (MO) free-text fields.

Specifically, please search for the following exact phrases and keywords (including case-insensitive / Ctrl+F equivalent searches):

• "META smart glasses"
• "Meta glasses"
• "Ray-Ban Meta"
• "Ray Ban Meta"
• "Ray-Ban Stories"
• "smart glasses"

Information Requested

For the 5-year period from 1 October 2021 to 1 October 2026:

1. Total Incident / Crime Count: The total number of recorded crimes or incident logs where one or more of the search terms above appear in the free-text summary, incident description, or MO notes, broken down year-by-year (e.g., 2021–2022, 2022–2023, 2023–2024, 2024–2025, 2025–2026).

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.

2. Offence Classification Breakdown: A breakdown of these recorded matters by offence category (e.g., Voyeurism, Harassment, Public Order, Theft, Assault, or Breach of Privacy), where available.

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 receipt of your request, searches were conducted of the Constabulary's incident and crime recording systems for the keywords you requested for the 5-year period from 1 October 2021 to 1 October 2026.

0 records were returned following the search of the Constabulary's crime recording system, therefore there is no information held to answer question 2 (Q2) of your request, as there are no offence categories linked to any crimes.

The Constabulary's incident recording system is largely free text and following a search for incidents in the same period, 5 incidents were returned which contained one or more of the key words you shared. All 5 results were recorded in 2026. As they are incidents, not crimes, they do not have linked offence categories, so no information is held to respond to Q2 of your request.

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

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Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely,

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