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Date: 26/10/2026

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_1005

On 21/10/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Dear Gloucestershire Constabulary,

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

Please provide the following information for each of the calendar years: 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 (1 January to 20 October 2026)

1. The total number of sexual offences recorded where the location is identified as a university

2. A breakdown of these offences by Home Office offence classification, including the relevant offence codes where available.

3. If possible, a breakdown by the name of the university.

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.

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

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 relation to your request, please see the below

1.&2. Table A shows the number of sexual offences recorded where the location has been recorded as a university by year.

Year	Recorded Home Office Classification Code & Offence	Location Tag
2021	020/05 Sexual assault on female 13+	University
2021	019/08 Rape of female 16+	University
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2024	019/08 Rape of female 16+	University
2024	019/08 Rape of female 16+	University
2025	0	University
2026	0	University

3.
No further breakdown has been provided by virtue of Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act, to avoid any individuals being identified or Identifiable.

Section 17 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.

With regard to the disclosure of any further breakdown, the following exemption applies:

Section 40(2) Personal Information

Section 40(2) applies to third party personal data. This would not be released under the Freedom of Information Act unless there is a strong public interest. The disclosure of any information which could lead to the identification of an individual would breach the Data Protection Principles contained with the Data Protection Act 2018, namely the first principle which states that personal data shall be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to individuals

This exemption is absolute and class based therefore I am not required to apply either the public interest test or harm test in disclosure.

In accordance with the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this part 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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

Disclosure Officer
Gloucestershire Constabulary