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Date: 20/11/2026

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request for: 26_1087

On 13/11/2026 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 redacted, non-identifiable data for the period January 2020 – November 2026.

1. Number of breaches recorded for these DVPOs (including repeat breaches per case, if available).

2. Basic demographic details of perpetrators subject to DVPOs (age and gender only).

3. Number of further domestic abuse incidents reported involving these perpetrators after the DVPO was issued.

4. Postcode locality (first part of postcode only, e.g., ST4) for each DVPO case and breach, to enable linkage with deprivation indices.

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

Following receipt of your request, a Constabulary subject matter expert (SME) conducted initial searches for the relevant and recorded information required to answer your questions. The SME located approximately 700 DVPOs, however, as we do not record some of the perpetrators' demographic information in a central, electronic register, a manual review of the relevant files held would be required. The SME has confidently estimated that this investigative work to compile the information you requested would exceed the 18 hours allowed by the Freedom of Information Act and therefore, section 12 of the Act is engaged.

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.

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. Even reducing the timescale would not reduce the number of records enough that a manual review could be conducted within the timescale but still provide meaningful information.

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 Commission's Office
4th Floor, No.3 Circle Square
5 Hawkshaw Street
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Yours sincerely,

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