



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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Dear requester,

Thank you for your recent request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) places two duties on public authorities. Unless exemptions apply, the first duty at, **Section 1(1) (a)**, is to confirm or deny whether the information specified in a request is held. The second duty at, **Section 1 (1) (b)**, is to disclose information that has been confirmed as being held.

The information that you are seeking is in relation to the following:

REQUEST

- 1) **Are you using any adapted or neurodivergence-friendly practical tools/resources/assets/materials for neurodivergent individuals who are likely to come into contact with the Criminal Justice System (CJS).**

Of the above, what is the intended audience for each adapted tool/resource/asset/material (e.g. directly for neurodivergent young adults (up to 25 years), directly for neurodivergent adults (25 years+), carers, parents, peers, professionals)?

Do you have separate practical tools/resources/assets/materials for victims and perpetrators?

- 2) **What are these practical tools/resources/assets/materials called and are they publicly available?**
- 3) **How long have you been using these tools/resources/assets/materials within your service/PCC area?**
- 4) **If you are not using any adapted practical tools/resources/assets/materials, do you intend on implementing any in the future? If so – please provide details, if you can.**
- 5) **Please provide copies and/or links to any available tools/resources/assets/materials that you are using.**



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RESPONSE

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Yes – the Gwent Police Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) team have produced a leaflet on Keeping Safe to inform readers about hate crime, and an accessible language guide for detainees in custody.

These documents are primarily aimed at people of any age who may require communication adaptations. They are neurodivergent-friendly documents. The custody booklet is aimed at people who are arrested for a crime, while the Keeping Safe booklet is aimed at all members of the public.

All of our documents can additionally be printed on coloured paper or in large print for people who require different formats to help them read more easily. This can also benefit neurodivergent people, while not being specifically designed for them.

- 2) What are these practical tools/resources/assets/materials called and are they publicly available?**

The booklets are called Keeping Safe and Custody easy-read booklet, and are Gwent Police documents. They are not publicly available.

- 3) How long have you been using these tools/resources/assets/materials within your service/PCC area?**

These documents were first produced and shared with colleagues in 2023.

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Not applicable.

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Please see attached documents.

Please note, every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented are accurate and complete.

Freedom of Information Act is a public disclosure regime, not a private regime. Any information disclosed under the Act is thereafter deemed to be in the public domain, and therefore freely available to the public and will be published on the Gwent Police website.

If, upon receiving a response to a freedom of information request, you are unhappy with the outcome, you may request an internal review. **This should be made within 40 working days of the initial response.**

Please direct any internal review requests to FOI@gwent.police.uk

You have the right to request an appeal from the Information Commissioners Office about your Freedom of Information request, if you are dissatisfied with your internal review response.

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Thank you for your interest in Gwent Police.