



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

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information regarding how Clare's Law requests (or the Domestic Violence Disclosure scheme) are handled by Heddlu Gwent. Specifically, I would like to know:

- Total number of Clare's Law applications received (both RTA and RTK) in 2025
- The number of these applications that were processed within 28 days in 2025
- The longest time taken to process a Clare's Law application in 2025

RESPONSE

- Total number of Clare's Law applications received (both RTA and RTK) in 2025

RTA – 1024

RTK - 379

TOTAL – 1,403

- The number of these applications that were processed within 28 days in 2025

RTA – 532

RTK – 171

TOTAL – 703

- The longest time taken to process a Clare's Law application in 2025



316 days, however, since we have embedded a new process within the department the average time from application to disclosure is 20.92 days.

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.