



## 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

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information. If this information is already publicly available or you might be able to guide me to another information source, any advice would be gladly received.

*Q1) Please can you state for offences recorded by your force, the number in which the crime report text (described as modus operandi reports by many forces) contains a mention of "onlyfans" in each of the following calendar years. Please also state the type of crime and outcome (i.e. no further action, withdrawn, charged etc.)*

*i) 2024*

*ii) 2025*

*Q2) Please can you provide a redacted copy of the free text crime reports for these offences recorded by your force between July 2024 and July 2025.*

### RESPONSE

To provide the data below a keyword search has been conducted on all crimes summaries for crimes recorded between 01/01/2024 to 30/11/2025.

Please note if the keyword was not mentioned, then it would not be highlighted for us to check.

Year	Total
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2024	7
2025	6
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13</b>

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Total</b>
Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender	1
Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties	5
Investigation complete no suspect identified	3
Community resolution	1
Cancelled/transferred	1
New	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13</b>

<b>Offence Type</b>	<b>Total</b>
ALL OTHER THEFT	1
OTHER SEXUAL OFFENCES	4
VIOLENCE WITHOUT INJURY	8
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13</b>

**Q2. Due to low numbers recorded it is not possible to provide any further details, as this could potentially identify victims along with other information already available in the public domain.**

**Section 40(2) Personal Information**

The exemption applicable to the information you have requested for this question can be found at Section 40(2) Personal Information, of the Act and this refusal notice is issued under Section 17.

Due to the low numbers, the chances of identification are extremely high. Information of this nature is the personal sensitive information of that individual.

To make a disclosure here would be in breach of the first GDPR data protection principle (DPA Act 2018) which is for data to be processed lawfully, fairly and transparently. Also, it may lead to the identification of individuals concerned or permit further information to be gleaned around the circumstances of each case.

Gwent Police is withholding the information you have requested on the basis that the exemption contained in s 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act applies in that the information you have requested is personal data of third parties and the disclosure of the data would breach one of the principles contained in the Data Protection Act. The relevant principle is the first principle which states that:



Personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully and in particular shall not be processed unless –

(a) at least one of the conditions in Schedule 2 is met and

(b) in the case of sensitive personal data, at least one of the conditions in Schedule 3 is met

It is only necessary to consider (a) in respect of the information requested. The relevant condition in Schedule 2 is condition 6 which states that:

"The processing is necessary for the purposes of legitimate interests pursued by the data controller or by the third party or parties to whom the data are disclosed, except where the processing is unwarranted in any particular case by reason of prejudice to the rights and freedoms or legitimate interests of the data subject"

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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](mailto: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.

ICO Contact Details:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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**Thank you for your interest in Gwent Police.**