



Dear JJ Evans,

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2021.0335

On the 30/03/2021 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

A full copy of Ground Penetrating Radar reports provided by or compiled by EMRAD (EMRAD Ltd) or ERA Tech (ERA Technology Ltd) during 1994 that relate to any of the following locations:

- 1) 25 Cromwell Street
- 2) Field Site at Kempley
- 3) 25 Midland Road

Documents and records were generated in hard copies during this time period and although some records have been indexed or scanned since then, a large proportion of documents are still in paper form and stored in Gloucestershire Constabulary's archives. To determine if the information you have requested is held by Gloucestershire Constabulary, a total 194 archive boxes would need to be manually reviewed to retrieve any data relevant to your request, which would exceed the time constraints outlined in Section 12(2) of the Freedom of Information 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(2)– Fee Regulations states:

Subsection (1) does not exempt the public authority from its obligation to comply with paragraph (a) of section 1(1) unless the estimated cost of complying with that paragraph alone would exceed the appropriate limit.

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.

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.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Bellak
Disclosure Officer
Gloucestershire Constabulary