

**Information Governance Unit
Information Management Branch**

7th January 2011

Dear XXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: XXXX

I write in connection with your request for information dated 06/12/2010, which was received by Greater Manchester Police on 07/12/2010. I note you seek access to the following information:

How much does Greater Manchester Police donate to the Manchester Pride event each year and how much does it charge the event for policing each year?

Ideally I would like figures for the years from 2003 to 2010 inclusive. But if that is too much for one FOI request, please provide as many as possible, working backwards from the current year.

Note that in 2003 the event was known as Europride.

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by Greater Manchester Police, GMP.

GMP does not directly donate to the Manchester Pride charitable event, however it does provide sponsorship.

GMP charge the Manchester Pride event organisers for the supply of special police services under Section 25(1) of the Police Act 1996. As this is a charitable event, GMP does not charge the full Section 25(1) rate for policing this specific event. The charges for the years 2003-2010 inclusive can be found below:

Manchester Pride 2010:£52,500
Manchester Pride 2009:£50,000
Manchester Pride 2008:£45,000
Manchester Pride 2007:£30,000
Manchester Pride 2006:£30,000
Manchester Pride 2005:£30,000
Manchester Pride 2004:£20,000
Europride 2003:£20,000

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

Should you have any further inquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact me on telephone number 0161 856 2529 quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

Information Access Officer

COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Are you unhappy with how your request has been handled or do you think the decision is incorrect?

You have the right to require Greater Manchester Police to review their decision.

Prior to lodging a formal complaint you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.

Ask to have the decision looked at again –

The quickest and easiest way to have the decision looked at again is to telephone the case officer that is nominated at the end of your decision letter.

That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.

Complaint

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision of Greater Manchester Police made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding access to information, you can lodge a complaint with Greater Manchester Police to have the decision reviewed.

Complaints should be made in writing and addressed to:

Corporate Information Manager
Greater Manchester Police
Police Headquarters
Chester House
Boyer Street
Manchester
M16 0RE

The Information Commissioner

After lodging a complaint with Greater Manchester Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you can make an application to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make an application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk. Alternatively, phone or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Phone: 01625 545 700