

**Information Governance Unit  
Information Management Branch**

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27<sup>th</sup> September 2010

Dear XXXX,

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: XXXX**

I write in connection with your request for information received by GMP on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2010. I note you seek access to the following information:-

**1. How many crime reports have you logged in the period 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 where the crime is recorded as the theft of a motor vehicle numberplate?**

**Note: Please only provide the figure if it is a representation of numberplate theft rather than either (a) all theft from vehicle reports or (b) theft of the entire vehicle where of course the numberplate would normally be taken as well.**

**Result Of Searches**

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.

The below data was obtained by conducting a search on all classes of theft of and from motor vehicles where property stolen included "registration plates" or "number plates". It therefore includes crimes where a vehicle was stolen and was subsequently recovered without its number plates.

For the time period of 2008/09 the total figure was 3020.

For the time period of 2009/10 the total figure was 2901

**Complaint Rights**

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

Should you have any further queries 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:

Freedom of Information Officer  
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](http://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