

**Information Management Section
Legal Services**

5th April 2006

Dear XXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: XXXX

I write in connection with your request for information dated 4 April 2006, which was received by Greater Manchester Police today. I note you seek access to the following information:

- **Can I please have a copy of your policy on annual personal safety training refresher for police officers?**
- **If your policy on annual personal safety training refresher for police community support officers is not included can I please have a copy of that?**
- **What is the minimum amount of personal safety refresher training your police officers were required to attend in the financial year April 1, 2005 - March 31, 2006?**
- **What is the minimum amount of personal safety training police community support officers are required to undertake when they join the service?**
- **What is the minimum amount of personal safety refresher training your police community support officers were required to attend in the financial year April 1, 2005 - March 31, 2006?**
- **How much did your force spend on personal safety refresher training for all staff in the financial year April 1, 2005 - March 31, 2006?**
- **How many police officers were assaulted in your police force in the financial year April 1, 2005 - March 31, 2006?**

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 Greater Manchester Police personal safety policy is currently under review, however, it will be published once reviewed and therefore exempt under Section 22 – Information intended for future publication.

In relation to personal safety training, Police Officers receive 6 hours training per year and Police Community Support Officers (PCSO's) receive 1 day (6 hours) training incorporating breakaways and conflict management. At present there is a refresher training day (6 hours) and this also incorporates search training.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide you with details of how much has been spent on personal safety training as we do not record this information broken down to individual training.

For the period January–December 2005 we recorded 1062 police officers and 30 police staff assaulted.

Complaint Rights

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

Yours sincerely