

**Information Management Section
IT Services Branch**

29th February 2008

Dear XXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: XXXX

I write in connection with your request for information dated 27 February 2008, which was received by Greater Manchester Police today. I note you seek access to the following information:

- **How many homophobic motivated attacks/incidents (including verbal and physical) have occurred over the last 5 years in a year by year account.**
- **Year by year, spanning the last 5 years, the age and sex of the person reporting the homophobic attack/incident.**
- **Year by year account, spanning 5 years, of the outcome of these attacks, including prosecutions (including the charge) and sentencing or convictions.**
- **Year by year, spanning the last 5 years, account of whether the incident was physical or verbal.**
- **Year by year, spanning the last 5 years, of where these incidents have happened either street names or broad towns/villages/cities.**

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Decision

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Information Accessible by Other Means, I have decided to refuse access to the information you have requested. The information you have requested is already publicly available on the Greater Manchester Police Publication Scheme, via the following link:

<http://www.gmp.police.uk/mainsite/pages/annualreport.htm>

Information regarding hate crimes can be found within the documents headed 'Annual Statistics' on the above page.

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 0161-856-2668 quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

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