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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/23/011058/A

I write in connection with your request for information dated 09/08/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am requesting data under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the number of wildlife criminal offences that have been reported to your constabulary from the year 2012 to 2022.

Additionally, could I also be provided the outcome of these reports (i.e., Case created, no further action, community resolution) for this data.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

Caveats:

In July 2019, GMP implemented one of the largest IT infrastructure changes in UK policing. The systems are in continual development and the data provided for this request is what the systems currently hold.

This data contains crimes recorded under the Home Office Code 099/20, 099/21 and 099/48, with a created date between 1st January 2012 and 31st December 2022, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

Some offences may only be available for part of this time period i.e. they may have started or stopped being used during this period.

Management of Police Information regulations state that non-essential records should be removed from police systems six financial years after the year in which they were originally created. This means that data that is more than six financial years old may be incomplete and should not be compared to more recent data.

Year	Crime Latest Classification : HO Offence Level	Crime Latest Classification : HO 5 Digit Code	GMP Outcome
2020	Carrying out or causing to permit to be carried out, any operation likely to damage part of an area of special scientific interest subject to notification by Nature Conservancy Council	099/48	18 - Investigation Complete - No Suspect Identified (18)
2017	Offences relating to the introduction of a new species	099/20	18 - Investigation Complete - No Suspect Identified (18)
2020	Carrying out or causing to permit to be carried out, any operation likely to damage part of an area of special scientific interest subject to notification by Nature Conservancy Council	099/48	18 - Investigation Complete - No Suspect Identified (18)
2016	Carrying out, or causing to permit to be carried out, any operation likely to damage part of an area of special scientific interest subject to notification by the Nature Conservancy Council	099/48	18 - Investigation Complete - No Suspect Identified (18)
2017	Offences relating to the introduction of a new species	099/20	18 - Investigation Complete - No Suspect Identified (18)

2020	Offences relating to the introduction of new species	099/20	14 - Evidential Difficulties Victim Based - No Suspect Identified (14)
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