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Date: 1st June 2023
Our ref: GSA 2569/23

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: GSA 2569/23

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18/05/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

[REDACTED] *fact and figures around domestic abuse within the localities with cover Stockport and Tameside. If i could have the most up to date data around number of incidents , child present , and a break down of factors such and drugs , alcohol and mental health. Any information which would be useful for the learning and development of our staff .*

CLARIFICATION

I was hoping for figures for how many DV incidents in Stockport and Tameside , number of incidents where children where present and we drug and alcohol and mental health is a factor . Its for our yearly training session and I feel it would be good to look at the data for the areas our service cover.

Result of Searches

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

However, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. There are no flags on our reporting systems for 'Drugs' or 'Child Present' therefore we would need to manually review all incidents to determine if these are a factor. A search of GMPs records shows a total of 10,747 domestic incidents. At a very conservative estimate of 5 minutes per record would take this request to in excess of 895.5 hours to ascertain the data required. As such, it is anticipated it would take in excess of 18hours to provide the requested information.

Therefore as per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information that you are requesting will need to be reduced to a much shorter time period. The resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk

Although excess costs remove GMP's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as a gesture of goodwill I have supplied some information relative to your request that was retrieved before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceed (see below information). I hope that this is of use to you, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

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.

1. The crime grand total is all the crimes counted based on the crimes with a Domestic Violence Flag reference for the period 01/04/2022-31/03/2023.
2. The month relates to when the crime was recorded and not when the incident occurred.
3. Where possible duplicates have been removed.
4. The data around 'Alcohol' being a factor has been obtained by filtering the above data on those incidents with an 'Alcohol Related' Flag.
5. Please note there are no Flags for 'Drugs' or 'Children Present' - This would involve searching all individual records which would far exceed the 18 hours.

Stockport Districts

Month	Total Domestic Incident	Alcohol Flag
April 22	343	104
May 22	411	104
Jun 22	389	127
Jul 22	402	105
Aug 22	427	123
Sep 22	362	94
Oct 22	376	105
Nov 22	340	94
Dec 22	373	114
Jan 23	415	119
Feb 23	376	97
Mar 23	411	103
Total	4625	1289

Tameside District

Month	Total Domestic Incident	Alcohol Flag
April 22	545	152
May 22	557	159
Jun 22	586	191
Jul 22	546	144
Aug 22	546	155
Sep 22	469	121
Oct 22	513	145
Nov 22	441	112
Dec 22	515	134
Jan 23	481	115
Feb 23	441	101
Mar 23	482	121
Total	6122	1650

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