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Date: 21/03/2023
Our ref: 901/23

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: GSA 901/23

I write in connection with your request for information dated 15/02/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I would like to know the statistics, preferably as far back as you can go, on crime data in town centres. If possible, could this be broken down by crime and by location, i.e. Oldham town centre, Rochdale town centre etc.

I also note your clarification received on 06/03/2023, which stated:

1. I'd be looking for data from July 2019 onwards by month
2. Ideally, the crime data would be broken down by month and by crime similar to the following link: [UKCrimeStats.com - Oldham Town Centre](https://ukcrimestats.com/oldham-town-centre)
3. It would be the neighbourhoods of 'Oldham Town Centre', 'St Peter's' (Tameside), 'Rochdale Town Centre' and 'East Bury'

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 in the QC10 Oldham Town Centre, GC09 St Peter's, PC17 Rochdale Town Centre and NC01 East Bury communities with a created date between 1st July 2019 and 28th February 2023, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.
- The crime tree level 4 has been provided for the type of crime.
- The data for a specific location may include crimes that did not happen in that location and/or exclude crimes that did.
 - Some crimes do not have a beat code, which means that they cannot be mapped to other geographies e.g. districts.
 - Some crimes have an incorrect beat code, which means that they are mapped to the wrong geographies.

The information you requested is in the attached spreadsheet.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint. Should you have any further queries please write to Freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk quoting the reference above.

Yours sincerely,

Adam.
Information Compliance and Records Management Assistant.

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:

Information Compliance & Records Management Unit Manager
Information Services Branch
Greater Manchester Police
Openshaw Complex
Lawton Street
Openshaw
Manchester
M11 2NS

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.ico.org.uk. Alternatively, phone or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Phone: 01625 545 700