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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/23/002298/N

I write in connection with your request for information dated 09/05/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

1. *Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;*

The average length of time for mobile phone extraction

2. *Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;*

Percentage of mobile phone extractions that are level 1, level 2 and level 3

3. *Does GMP have a time limit for completing MPE and if so what is it?*

4. *Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;*

5. *Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;*

What percentage of investigations in CPIU resulted in NFA

6. *Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;*

What percentage of mobile phone extractions within CPIU are level 1, level 2 and level 3

7. *Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;*

What percentage of mobile phones devices did CPIU cyber kiosk and what was the average time this was done in?

8. Data regarding GMP between the calendar years 2019 and 2022;

Within the CPIU what is the percentage of investigations involving adoptive families, foster families and birth families

9. How does GMP communicate how MPE data will be kept secure and what will be done with the data after the case has been closed?

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.

However, Greater Manchester Police does not hold all the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To provide the data requested in questions 1 and 4 of your request would involve a manual search of each individual phone examination record to determine the average length of time taken for an examination.

A search of our forensic records show that for just the last year there were over 10,000 records. At a very conservative estimate of 5 minutes to locate, retrieve and review each file it would take over 800 hours to ascertain the data required, and that would only be for one year, not the four requested.

Therefore, to comply with the whole of your request the process would take over 18 hours' work which exceeds the appropriate limit of £450.00, the amount to which we are legally required to respond.

As per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is therefore 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 greatly reduced 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 information, relative to your request, that was retrieved

/ available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceed. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

2. GMP do not use levels 1-3.

3. GMP does not have a time limit for mobile phone extractions.

6. GMP do not use levels 1-3.

7. GMP do not use kiosk devices.

9. GMP uses Data Protection Notice (DPN) forms and process to communicate to consenting parties on how data will be stored and managed. GMP are in the process of rolling out DPN forms for seized parties which will communicate the same messages.