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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/23/011321/W

I write in connection with your request for information dated 13/09/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. For the crime of residential burglary, how many crimes included a visit to the property which was reported to have been burgled. Please supply the data for 2018-2022 inclusive and the overall number of residential burglaries reported in each year. If you cannot supply all years, please provide those which you can within the time limit.***
- 2. Please provide a monthly breakdown for the number of burglaries recorded in January to August 2023 and the number which received visits from police officers.***
- 3. If you are unable to provide data for question 1 and 2, please provide an explanation on how you are measuring the NPCC's announcement on June 8th 2023 that all burglaries are now receiving a visit from a police officer***
- 4. Please provide how many police officers attended a premise where shoplifting had been reported. Please supply the data for 2018-2022 inclusive and the overall number of shoplifting cases reported in each year. Please also provide a year to September figure for 2023.***

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, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To be able to provide you a response to Q1 and Q4 would require a extensive manual search of multiple systems of all the records logged to distinguish which are residential burglaries and the same for shoplifting. Initial searches show that for burglary and other incidents in 2023, there are over 55,000 created reports, and due to this it is anticipated it will take in excess of 18hrs to provide a response.

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 be revised by removing the residential and shoplifting data required. We may then be able to provide a response to Q2 of this request. However, 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.