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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/23/011389/Q

I write in connection with your request for information dated 27/09/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. Any guidelines or standards your force uses when communicating about road traffic collisions. These guidelines may relate to the language used when staff write press releases, or speak about traffic crashes to the press and public, defining any terms to avoid or to include when doing so. Please include such guidelines or standards in your reply.*
- 2. Whether use of these guidelines is mandatory in communications, say, with the public and press. If not, please explain on what basis they are applied.*

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 not held by GMP.

There are no GMP-authored guidance or standards, but all communications are compliant with UK legislation and are guided by the College of Policing Authorised Professional Practice. Further details can be found on the [College of Policing website](#).

GMP staff are also guided by the nationally circulated [Road Collision Reporting Guidelines](#).