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Our ref: 01/FOI/23/011195/I

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/23/011195/I

I write in connection with your request for information dated 14/08/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

How many people on bail were deemed to have “No Further Action” taken against them because the Officer In Charge of the Case was not available to see the bailee when they answered Bail at the Front Desk of the Police Station in Greater Manchester Police from April 2022 to June 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, Greater Manchester Police (GMP) does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To provide a response to this request would require a manual review of every detention log within the timeframe requested to see which are relevant to your request. Initial searches reveal around 500 instances of “no further action” and due to this it is anticipated it would take over 18hrs work to provide the 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 a shorter time frame for GMP to be able to review the data and provide the information you request in under 18hrs of work. 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.

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