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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/012499/U

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18/04/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Does legislation allow the GMP to assist a bailiff to force entry into a property in relation to a civil matter?

Result of Searches

Information is defined in section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act as “information recorded in any form”. The Act therefore only extends to requests for recorded information. It does not require public authorities to answer questions generally; only if they already hold the answers in recorded form. The Act does not extend to requests for information about policies or their implementation, or the merits or demerits of any proposal or action - unless, of course, the answer to any such request is already held in recorded form. As such, your request is not a valid request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.