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Our ref: FOI/23/012215/U

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/23/012215/U

I write in connection with your request for information dated 25/02/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Could you please supply me with the following information concerning arrests over the possession of corrosive substances, as outlined below.

- ***How many arrests were made for the possession of corrosive substances in a public place under the Offensive Weapons Act 2019? Please break down the information by the years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, including the sex of those arrested.***

I would like the above information to be provided to me electronically if possible in the format of a spreadsheet.

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.

Total number of arrests – 1

A further breakdown has been exempted from disclosure under Section 40(2) Personal Information due to the low numbers returned – this information constitutes personal data of an identifiable living individual, and to disclose this information would breach the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data is defined by Section 1 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and means data that relates to an individual who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.