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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013014/R

I write in connection with your request for information dated 29/07/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

1. *How many off-road motorbikes (including electric) have been seized by GMP in last twelve months?*
2. *Of those, how many have been claimed by the owner and given back?*

I have been advised that as you cannot obtain a licence to drive an off-road motorbike. So, under RTA 165 B a bike cannot be recovered.

I know someone who had his bike recovered which suggests either the police gave the bike back incorrectly, or that the law does in fact allow it and can be interpreted to include certain bikes.

3. *How many of the seized bikes have been sold or auctioned off, or stripped for parts, and how many have been destroyed?*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by GMP.

1. 484
2. 25
3. 279 have been scrapped. GMP do not auction or strip down any off-road bikes.