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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/013112/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 13/08/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

1) How many charges for Murder were given in your forces area over the previous years stated below, starting from 2018

***2023
2022
2021
2020
2019
2018***

Please split this data up by the number of charges for each year. If this is not possible, could you please provide this information as a total over the previous years listed above. Please provide this information in spreadsheet format (CSV or XLS).

2) Within your forces area, could you provide a breakdown of the areas that have the most murder charges.

This does not need to be broken down by postcode, towns would be sufficient for this.

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.

Caveats:

In July 2019, GMP implemented one of the largest IT infrastructure changes in UK policing. The systems are in continual development and the data provided for this request is what the systems currently hold.

1. The crime grand total is the murder crimes with a charge/ summons outcome for the period 01/01/2018-31/12/2023
2. The month relates to when the crime was recorded and not when the incident occurred.
3. Where possible duplicates have been removed.

Due to low numbers returned the data has been merged together as by providing all this information split by year as you have requested would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individual(s) concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By merging this data it can be provided in its entirety.

District	Total
City of Manchester (CoM)	45
Wigan	14
Tameside	13
Rochdale	13
Salford	12
Oldham	12
Bolton	11
Trafford	10
Stockport	7
Bury	7
Total	144