

Date: 28th August 2024
Our ref: FOI/24/013068/F

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/013068/F

I write in connection with your request for information dated 06/08/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

During the social unrest in Bolton town centre 4/8/24. Some social media posts seemed to show an officer holding a bag of weapons, supposedly taken from youths that had entered the town centre.

A. We're any weapons (Baseball Bats, knives, Machetes) confiscated during the social unrest?

B. If so, were any arrests made in relation to persons having offensive weapons in the town?

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.

Question A – Yes.

Question B – Total of 7 arrests for offensive weapons.