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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/013693/Y

I write in connection with your request for information dated 22/11/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I work for [REDACTED] who work with LA's and County councils to appropriately house and support vulnerable 16-17 year old care leavers (looked after children).

In terms of assessing locality risk we require figures as to risks such as the number of registered sex offenders locally, any incidents such as Child Criminal Exploitation, kidnappings, trafficking and so on. A mile radius should probably be sufficient unless for example there is a hostel for registered sex offenders 1.1 miles away.

The information available online such is not sufficient to be able to make an informed assessment.

The property we have in mind is located at the following postcode:

[REDACTED]

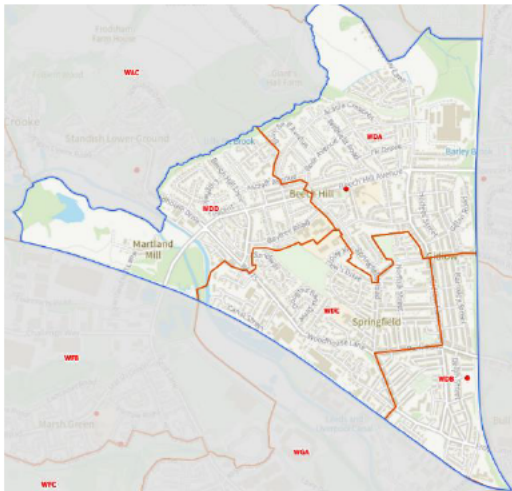
Result of Searches

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 all the crimes with a 'Child Protection' Flag attached to them for the Wigan West Ward for the 12 month period 01/12/2023-30/11/2024.
2. The month relates to when the crime was recorded and not when the incident occurred.
3. Where possible duplicates have been removed.
4. Unfortunately we cannot provide the data to within 1 mile of the postcode [REDACTED] provided. This would involve going into all the records for Wigan & plotting on a map to establish which were within a mile of the postcode. Therefore, we have provided the crimes for the ward the postcode falls within rather than return to the requestee to provide all postcodes. Below is a map of Wigan West Ward.



Crime	Total
Other Sexual Offences	38
Rape	4
Stalking and Harassment	15
Violence With Injury	15
Violence Without Injury	22

In relation to **Sex Offenders** within the area requested the following exemption applies.

Greater Manchester Police can neither confirm nor deny that it holds the information you requested as the duty in Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply, by virtue of the following exemption:

Section 40(5)(b)(i) - Personal Information – giving information to a member of the public of the confirmation or denial that would have to be given to comply with section 1(1)(a) would (apart from this Act) contravene any of the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018.

To confirm that any information is held or not, could confirm personal data. In some circumstances confirming or denying whether information is held could itself identify a living individual and would therefore breach the principles of the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018.

Personal data is defined by Article 4 of the GDPR and Part 1 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'). An identified natural person is one who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.

This use of neither confirm nor deny should not be taken as proof that such information does or does not exist.