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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/012811/I

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18/06/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am writing to you to request data on all reported types of assaults perpetrated by private hire vehicle/taxi/minicab and uber drivers, including but not limited to physical, sexual and rape of any adult or child. Please could you provide me with data for the most recent available calendar year, and 2 years prior to the most recent year? Can you please list rape, sexual assault and physical assault separately?

Can this data be broken down by Bolton, Sale, Stockport, Rochdale, and Manchester, if not possible a figure for the whole of Greater Manchester would be much appreciated?

If there are any issues with my request please get in touch.

Result of Searches

Greater Manchester Police (GMP) does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To provide the data requested would involve a manual search of all crimes recorded by GMP in your requested time frame to see if the offender was a taxi driver, as offender occupation is not a recorded field on our crime recording system.

Therefore, to comply with the whole of your request the process would take over 18 hours' work which exceeds the appropriate limit of £450.00, the amount to which we are legally required to respond.

As per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is therefore above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information that you are requesting will need to be reduced to a greatly reduced time period. The resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk