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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/012619/K

I write in connection with your request for information dated 14/05/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information:

How much is the total spending on communication data requests under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016?

- To telecommunications operators

- To postal operators

If possible, this should also include a breakdown of the companies provided with the payment each received.

Please provide the above data for the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 2022, 2023 and 2024 (year to date). Please refine this to 2021, 2022 and 2023 if needed on cost grounds.

There is a clear public interest due to the sensitivity of the communications being requested and costs involved.

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.

Year	Total Expenditure
2016/17	£817,081.41
2017/18	£816,064.81
2018/19	£895,669.72
2019/20	£833,535.17
2020/21	£918,958.60

2021/22	£1,108,916.06
2022/23	£1,136,777.05
2023/24	£1,276,993.99

Please note the comms providers are part of the Home Office Scheme and GMP receives one invoice from the Home Office.