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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/012777/X

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11/06/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I would like confirmation of what was being displayed on each of the overhead motorway signs located on the M62 Westbound between Junction 12 and Junction 11 at 23.04 on Friday 31 May 2024.

I was driving home from work at this time and the symbol showing above me was the National Speed Limit sign (white circle/black stripe). I had been in a temporary 50mph speed restriction earlier on the journey but it had changed back to National Speed Limit by circa 23.00.

As I was travelling at less than the National Speed Limit, I was surprised when a speed camera flashed at me. I presumed this was a mistake or maybe a deterrent camera. However, I have today received a Notice of Intended Prosecution alleging that I was flashed driving at 68mph in a 50mph variable speed limit. I am absolutely certain that the speed limit in place at my location at that time was the National Speed Limit. Hence I require this information from Greater Manchester Police to confirm.

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.

Using the location listed above, along with the time and date provided, I can advise that the displayed speed limit was **50MPH**.

Please note – All speeding offences are provided with a PIN on the NIP letter to log in to GMP's Public Access System (PAS) which will show you the images of the offending vehicle and also of the variable speed limit signs in place at the time of the alleged offence. These signs are displayed on the gantry where the camera is housed so they directly relate to the offence captured.