

Date: 21st May 2024
Our ref: FOI/24/012607/G

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/012607/G

I write in connection with your request for information dated 10/05/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Please provide any correspondence between Greater Manchester Police and Manchester City Council (which may also involve other parties) sent or received between 19 and 26 April 2024 (inclusive) that mentioned "Co-op Live" or variants "Co op Live" and "Coop Live".

For the meeting held on 19 or 20 April between Greater Manchester Police and Manchester City Council to discuss Co-op Live, could you please provide any of the following information:

- A full list of attendees, including full names and titles as well as who the attendee represents •***
- A copy of the meeting agenda • Meeting notes/minutes taken during the meeting, as well as any briefing notes and papers • Any correspondence associated with the attendees, including debriefs of the meeting via email or other forms of communication.***
- The audio or video recording of the meeting, or a transcript***

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information. However, GMP cannot confirm if it holds all the information that you have requested without conducting a thorough search on your behalf.

GMP would be required to undertake a substantial review to see if we hold the information relating *any correspondence between Greater Manchester Police and Manchester City Council (which may also involve other parties) sent or received between 19 and 26 April 2024 (inclusive) that mentioned "Co-op Live" or variants "Co op Live" and "Coop Live*. The search/review would involve manually contacting all units/departments within the force to establish which officers or staff members within the force have had any involvement with the Co-op Live and then they would need to conduct manual searches of their records to determine what they hold. Any data held once the review has been conducted would then need to be manually reviewed to determine the relevance to this request. Due to level of work required, to confirm whether the information is held would take over 18 hours.

Therefore, as per section 12(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of searching for the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating 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. For the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with the removal of any correspondence, as this is too broad a request. However, 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.