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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013424/F

I write in connection with your request for information dated 09/10/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. how many individuals are currently Released Under Investigation (RUI).***
- 2. how many individuals are currently on bail.***
- 3. how many days each individual has been RUI.***
- 4. what offence each RUI individual was arrested for, and any subsequent offences they may have been arrested for.***

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.

However, GMP does not hold some of the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

Question 3 & 4 cannot be provided without GMP completing a manually review off all the individuals currently RUIs. We do not hold this information in a central location and so the data will need to be extracted from each record. As of 10/09/2024 the number GMP had Released Under Investigation was 12,195. A review of each one would most certainly exceed the 18hrs permitted to respond as this number is not likely to have decreased to a significant level to be able to process.

Therefore, as per **section 12(1)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is 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 attempt to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with the removal of questions 3 and 4. 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.