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Tuesday, 24 September 2024

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013188/M

I write in connection with your request for information dated 29/08/2024, I note you seek access to the following information:

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information. As of 31st August 2024:

- 1. Total number of people arrested in the "[outbreaks of violent disorder](#)" that took place in Bolton & Manchester from 30th July to 8th August in response to the mass stabbing carried out in Southport*
- 2. Of those arrested, the total number who have had any reports of domestic abuse made against them as recorded on their criminal records*
- 3. Of those arrested, the total number who have had any convictions for domestic abuse as recorded on their criminal records*
- 4. If possible within the time limit, please provide the nature of the offences for which the individuals have been (i) reported (ii) convicted*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that some of the information you have requested is held by Greater Manchester Police.

Please note GMP do not hold conviction data as this is held by Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunal Service (HMCTS). Please apply directly to HMCTS for such data.

Moreover, GMP does not hold the other information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To provide the data regarding Part 2 would involve a manual search of all relevant records. In order to see if any of them have been arrested for domestic violence offences we would have to look into the local system record of each individual, review the detail

and search on PND. All of which takes a significant amount of time. From initial searches carried out a total of 126 records would need to be manually reviewed. As such, it is anticipated it would take in excess of 18hours to provide the requested information.

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.

In this instance, Greater Manchester Police will be unable able to provide advice for you to reduce the request in order for the force to keep this within the fees limit in accordance with Section 16(1), the duty to provide advice and assistance, of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Although excess costs remove GMP's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as a gesture of goodwill (see below information), I have supplied information, relative to your request, that was retrieved / available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceed. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

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