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Our ref: FOI/25/014540/L

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/25/014540/L

I write in connection with your request for information dated 04/04/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I need to know if the doctor, [REDACTED], worked for the police as an Independent Forensic Police Surgeon during March 2008 and March 2016 ? As he has stated this on a cv of his past work experience along with what i believe to be other bogus claims. [REDACTED]

***[REDACTED]
causing harm and forging my signature on forged medical records and consent forms. This doctor has a criminal record and works [REDACTED]. I have reported him to you and the police log number is [REDACTED].***

Result of Searches

This Act provides the public with a general right of access to recorded information held by public authorities. However, information disclosed under this Act is effectively released into the public domain, or to the 'wider world', and not only to the person making the request. In cases where the public request information relating to individuals, it would be extremely rare for a public authority to release such information to the whole world under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Therefore, in accordance with the Act, this letter represents a refusal notice for this particular request.

Greater Manchester Police can neither confirm nor deny that it holds the information you requested as the duty in Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply, by virtue of the following exemptions:

Section 40(5)(b)(i) - Personal Information – giving information to a member of the public of the confirmation or denial that would have to be given to comply with section 1(1)(a) would (apart from this Act) contravene any of the data protection principles of the Data Protection Act 2018.

To confirm that any information is held or not, could confirm personal data. In some circumstances confirming or denying whether information is held could itself identify a living individual and would therefore breach the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018.

Personal data is defined by Section 1 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and means data that relates to an individual who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.

This use of neither confirm nor deny should not be taken as proof that such information does or does not exist.
