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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015143/G

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19/07/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. How many reports have you received of potentially unlawful behaviour (including illegal motorbike riding) taking place in Drinkwater Park, Phillips Park, Waterdale Meadow or Prestwich Clough in the last three years?***
- 2. How many of these reports resulted in enforcement action being taken, such as the issuing of a fine, or prosecution?***
- 3. On how many occasions over the same period have your police officers attended those areas in response to allegations of, or in order to prevent, unlawful behaviour?***

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 some of the information requested is held by GMP.

Caveats:

In July 2019, GMP implemented one of the largest IT infrastructure changes in UK policing. The systems are in continual development and the data provided for this request is what the systems currently hold.

Crime volume:

- This data contains crimes where 'Drinkwater Park', 'Phillips Park', 'Waterdale Meadow' or 'Prestwich Clough' are included in either the Location Description or the Location Custom Text, and have been manually reviewed to check the addresses appear to be within the park, with a created date between '01 January 2022' and '31 Dec 2024', excluding cancelled crimes and crimes classified as fraud. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained

from the Home Office Counting Rules. Details regarding fraud crime can be obtained by contacting the NFIB.

- We are aware of various system issues affecting committed at locations for new and migrated crimes (see below for details [delete as appropriate]). These issues mean that data for a specific location may include crimes that did not happen in that location and/or exclude crimes that did.
 - Some crimes do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.
- These crimes may have originated from incidents in the incident data and refer to the same circumstances.

Incidents attended:

- This data contains incidents where 'Drinkwater Park', 'Phillips Park', 'Waterdale Meadow' or 'Prestwich Clough' are included in either the Location Description or the Location Custom Text, with a created date between '01 January 2022' and '31 Dec 2024', excluding incidents with a closing code of L10 Duplicate, L19 Error or L22 Test or training.
- We are aware of system issues affecting locations for incidents (see below for details). These issues mean that data for a specific location may include incidents that did not happen in that location and/or exclude incidents that did.
 - Some incidents do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.
- Due to some low results, some data has been replaced with X, as by providing all this information split by individual location as you have requested would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individual(s) concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By replacing the data this way, it can be provided in its entirety.

Question 1.

Crime Volume	2022	2023	2024
Drinkwater Park	9	9	9
Prestwich Clough	X	X	X

Question 2.

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

1 crime in 2023 resulted in a 'community resolution' being issued. No others have a solved outcome.

Question 3.

Incidents Attended	2022	2023	2024
Drinkwater Park	7	10	13
Prestwich Clough	0	X	5