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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015881/H

I write in connection with your request for information dated 16/12/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Please may I request the following information?

1. Total Reported Thefts

For each of the years 2023, 2024, and 2025 (year to date), please provide:

- a. The total number of theft offences reported across the whole of Greater Manchester.*
- b. The total number of theft offences reported within the Leigh area.*

2. Reported Shoplifting Offences

For each of the years 2023, 2024, and 2025 (year to date), please provide:

- a. The total number of shoplifting offences reported across the whole of Greater Manchester.*
- b. The total number of shoplifting offences reported within the Leigh area.*

3. Reported Theft-from-Person Offences

For each of the years 2023, 2024, and 2025 (year to date), please provide:

- a. The total number of theft-from-person offences reported across Greater Manchester.*
- b. The total number of theft-from-person offences reported within the Leigh area.*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have 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.

This data contains theft offence with a created date between 01/01/2023 and 20/11/2025, excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.

The data for Leigh is crimes with crime location beat within beats Leigh East, Leigh West, or Leigh South.

We are aware of various PoliceWorks issues affecting committed at locations for new and migrated crimes (see below for details). 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 a beat code, which means that they cannot be mapped to other geographies e.g. districts.
- Some crimes have an incorrect beat code, which means that they are mapped to the wrong geographies.
- Some crimes do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.

GMP:

Crime Volume	2023	2024	2025
All other theft offences	30713	25730	20606
Bicycle theft	3014	2485	2326
Business and Community burglary	5011	3719	2835
Residential burglary	12763	11207	7712
Shoplifting	18226	21829	17370
Theft from the person	7334	5245	3116
Vehicle offences	21986	17871	15011

Leigh:

Crime Volume	2023	2024	2025
All other theft offences	509	387	330
Bicycle theft	40	33	43
Business and Community burglary	92	48	40
Residential burglary	246	180	106
Shoplifting	566	672	623
Theft from the person	68	42	16
Vehicle offences	288	246	174