

Date: 25th November 2025
Our ref: FOI/25/015886/M

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/25/015886/M

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19/11/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Further to your disclosure below of electricity usage, which you indicated was sourced from standard (“brown”) electricity rather than via REGO-backed or other certified green renewable tariffs, then given Governments focus on net zero, please could make clear the reasons for not procuring REGO-backed or green renewable electricity. In particular, was this decision due to cost premiums, or were other factors involved?

This request is made for journalistic purposes. No RPSI re-use restrictions are to apply.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information. I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

The costs of REGO-backed energy for the 2025/2026 period were significantly more than previously experienced. With our supplier's standard energy mix increasing in renewable content a decision was made to divert the REGO spend to internal investment in low carbon activities for the 2025/2026 period. For 2026/2027 REGO prices have reduced, and supply has been secured from 100% renewable sources (wind, solar, hydro) for the supply period.