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Our ref: 01/FOI/25/013947/W

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/013947/W

I write in connection with your request for information dated 08/01/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

***the amount of attacks / sexual assaults on women at night - non domestic - in greater manchester
in the past year / 5 years***

Clarification - please could i have info on all types of assaults against women in a non domestic setting between 8pm and 8am.

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 the information requested is held by GMP.

However, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

Based on searches carried out, GMP would be unable to answer this request without completing a thorough manual trawl of all the violence with and violence without injury crimes recorded. This review would allow us to identify if the crime took place on the street or at home. In the last 12 months there have been over 82,000 crimes within these categories, and to search each one would most certainly exceed the 18hrs permitted to respond to this FOI request.

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, due to the volume of records located, Greater Manchester Police will be unable 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.