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**Our ref:** FOI/25/014028/W

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/25/014028/W**

I write in connection with your request for information dated 21/01/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. I would like to know the number of alleged SEXUAL assault/abuse RELATED REPORTS recorded in the Tameside council area by GMP AND;***
- 2. I would like the latest reporting year you have information on, plus as comparatives as many years as you can provide within the scope of this request AND;***
- 3. KEY to this request, I would like the victim data analysed between adults and children .. ideally between Male & Female victims (if available within the scope of this request).***

***So ideally (if the full analysis is within the scope of this request) it would look something like this :***

**TAMESIDE COUNCIL AREA SEXUAL RELATED REPORTS RECORDED BY GMP**

**Victims:**

|             | <b>Male</b>  |              | <b>Female</b> |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|             | <b>Adult</b> | <b>Child</b> | <b>Adult</b>  | <b>Child</b> |
| <b>2024</b> | <b>2</b>     | <b>5</b>     | <b>250</b>    | <b>50</b>    |
| <b>2023</b> | <b>1</b>     | <b>3</b>     | <b>200</b>    | <b>48</b>    |

***Gender victim split is not critical to this FOI request (if not available within the scope of this request) ... the split between adults and children victims is however critical to this request.***

***As I'm sure you know, Tameside has a problem with the sexual abuse of females ... Tameside Council's childrens protection function Also has serious historic issues.***

### **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.

### **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 crimes classified under crime tree level two 'sexual offences' with crime location district 'Tameside' and a created date between '01 January 2023' and '31 December 2024', excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.
- Age has been calculated using the crime committed date and the person date of birth. Please note:
  - The crime committed date may be different to other dates e.g. reported or created.
  - The crime committed date may be recorded as a range where the crime occurred over a period of time or where it is not possible to say exactly when it occurred. In these cases, the first date in the range has been used for the calculation.
  - Age cannot be calculated where the crime committed date and/or person date of birth has not been recorded.
  - The calculated age may be incorrect where the person date of birth has been recorded incorrectly.
- We have defined 'adult' as 18 year or over and 'child' as 17 years or under.
- 'Unknown' age is where we either do not have the victim date of birth, or where there is no victim attached to the crime.
- 'Unknown' gender is where the gender is 'missing value' or 'unknown' in system, or where there is no victim attached to the crime.
- There is one record where the date of birth is populated as '-1', which is obviously incorrect. This sits in the response table under 2023, male, child. We are stating this so the applicant can decide whether or not they wish to omit this from the data.
- Victims in this data may be counted more than once if they are a victim attached to multiple crimes.
- There are crimes in this response with no victim attached. These may be crimes where the victim has not been identified, or they may be system errors.

| <b>Crime Volume by Victim Gender and Age</b> | <b>2023</b>  |              |                | <b>2024</b>  |              |                |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
|                                              | <b>Adult</b> | <b>Child</b> | <b>Unknown</b> | <b>Adult</b> | <b>Child</b> | <b>Unknown</b> |
| Male                                         | 39           | 74           | 5              | 54           | 89           | 0              |
| Female                                       | 307          | 332          | 6              | 354          | 372          | 11             |
| Unknown                                      | 0            | 1            | 61             | 0            | 0            | 59             |