

Date: 25th February 2025
Our ref: FOI/25/014224/C

I write in connection with your request for information dated 14/02/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. How many individual cycle/dashcam video footages showing close passes of cyclists by a motorist were submitted to your force in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 as part of Operation Snap?***
- 2. How many of these submissions resulted in follow-up prosecution of the vehicle keeper or driver in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024? (under Driving without due care and attention).***
- 3. Only if possible: How many of these prosecutions resulted with the driver being offered a course as opposed to a fine and endorsement only in each of these years?***

Note – if the last question takes the length of time/resource above the threshold where a fee is liable, please only answer the first two questions.

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.

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

To provide a response to question 3 would require a manual review of all records sent to CTO for processing to determine if they relate to close pass of a cyclist and then the method of disposal. From the initial searches carried out a total of 1,269 records would need to be manually reviewed. As such, it is anticipated it would take in excess of 18 hours to provide the requested information.

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.

However, in accordance with Section 16(1) – the duty to provide advice and assistance – of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Greater Manchester Police will be unable able to provide advice for you to reduce the request in order for the force to keep this within the fees limit.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk

Although excess costs remove GMP's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as a gesture of goodwill I have supplied some information relative to your request that was retrieved before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceed (see below information). I hope that this is of use to you, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

Question 1

Year	Total Submissions
2021	824
2022	953
2023	1,602
2024	1,456

Question 2

Year	Total
2021	346
2022	575
2023	1,209
2024	1,219