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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014369/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 10/03/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am seeking information regarding proactive resources at Level 1 and 2 (NIM) in your force. I am a retired Detective Chief Superintendent currently preparing a MSc dissertation into Organised Crime at the University of Central Lancashire. Please be assured that the information will be randomised against all other forces and data used as a whole, not specifically about your force.

- 1. I would like to know what percentage of your resources (police officers) are working full time in proactive investigations.***

Result of Searches

Section 84 of FOIA relates to recorded information held by a public authority and that it does not extend to providing explanations unless the answers are already held in a recorded form.

"Information is defined in section 84 of the Act as 'information recorded in any form'. The Act therefore only extends to requests for recorded information. It does not require public authorities to answer questions generally; only if they already hold the answers in recorded form. The Act does not extend to requests for information about policies or their implementation, or the merits or demerits of any proposal or action - unless, of course, the answer to any such request is already held in recorded form.

GMP do not record this information in percentage form.