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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/24/013849/A

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19/12/2024, I note you seek access to the following information:

Subject: STATS-19 collision data

I would like to request that you disclose information relating to the completion of the STATS-19 collision data collection systems that your Police service operates. I would specifically request:

- a. In what timeframe, would an officer complete a STATS-19 form? (i.e. at the time they attend the collision, by the end of their shift or at some other point)*
- b. Do the officers completing the STATS-19 form, need to have had any formal training to enable them to complete the form or can any officer complete it? And if they do, what level of training is required?*
- c. Does your Police service utilise the data obtained through the STATS-19 process to research ways in which roads could be made safer (i.e. to reduce the number of collisions, injuries and deaths)? If yes, could you provide the policy that relates to this research or where this does not exist, examples to demonstrate the use?*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request. Please see answers to your request below.

- a. Officers are encouraged to complete the RTC report before the end of the shift.
- b. All new officers receive training to complete RTC reports in their basic training. Officers that are already posted to divisions have now received training to ensure they know how to use the current RTC reporting system. Similarly, all officers have received training to establish what type of collision will need to be recorded. Officers in the

training school (Basic Training) will receive a face-to-face input on RTCs and how to report them. Officers already on a division have been provided with an E-Learning package.

- c. There is no specific policy that governs how GMP uses the information provided through STATS-19. However, data gathered is shared across the Safer Transport Team and with partner agencies. If a fatal collision occurs, as part of the investigation, an officer will attend to establish if there are any improvements that can be made to the road. These recommendations are then relayed back to the local authority.