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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/013888/C

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

Between January 1st 2024 up to and including December 31st 2024:

- 1. How many police officers and staff working for your force have taken sick leave of any length due to any mental health condition?***
- 2. How many police officers and staff working for your force have taken sick leave of any length due to Post Traumatic Stress Disorder?***
- 3. How many police officers and staff working for your force have been diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder?***
- 4. How many work days have police officers and staff working for your force missed due to the suspected or diagnosed symptoms of PTSD?***

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 some of the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

Data for questions 3 and 4 relating to officers with suspected/diagnosed PTSD would be held on individual personal files confidentially. Each file would have to be manually checked to be able to provide the totals requested. There are almost 14,000 files that would fall into this review and as such this request will not be able to be completed in the time limits allowed.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to attempt to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with the removal of questions 3 and 4. With any request that requires a manual review there is always a chance of a request being refused under S12 due to the enormity of work that is usually needed to provide the data, therefore the resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

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