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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014958/H

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18/06/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, specifically in relation to the Mini Police scheme currently delivered or supported by Greater Manchester Police:

- 1. A copy of any written document that outlines the aims or objectives of the Mini Police scheme.***
- 2. A copy of any lesson plan, session outline, or curriculum document used in delivering Mini Police activities in schools.***
- 3. A copy of any information or briefing materials shared with participating schools or parents/carers about the programme.***

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 some of the information requested is held by GMP.

However, I am not obliged to supply the information you have requested as exemptions apply.

When refusing to provide such information because an exemption applies, Section 17(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires GMP, to provide you - the applicant - with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

Question 1 is exempt under **section 21 – Information accessible to applicant by other means**.
The response to this request is available online. Please follow the links below.

[Mini police ranks reinforced, as children who aspire to make a big difference welcomed to Wigan | Greater Manchester Police](#)

Question 2.

Please find attached a copy of a lesson plan used in one of the districts in the scheme

Please note – Not all schools that take part will follow such lesson plans. Each district will implement their own processes such as School visits for looking around vans and talks in assemblies rather than actual session planned activities and as such lesson plans may vary.

There is also information in the media via [Bolton police visit school to pick 5 new 'Mini Police' | The Bolton News](#).

Question 3.

Please see the attached Parental Consent Form used.

In relation to briefing docs, there are no documents held in a recorded form. Each school was briefed by the supporting officers.



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Mini Police Scheme – Parental/Guardian/Carer Consent Form

Name of Child:

School & Class details:

I would like my child to be considered for the opportunity to take part in the Mini Police programme working alongside Greater Manchester Police.

Please read carefully and tick appropriately:

- ☐ I give permission for my child's full name; date of birth; names and contact numbers of parents/guardians/carers and relevant risk assessment information to be shared with Greater Manchester Police.
- ☐ I give permission for my child's photograph to be taken and appear in the press and any promotional materials for Greater Manchester Police.
- ☐ I give permission for my child's photograph and any video footage to appear on the school and police websites and other forms of media, such as X (formally Twitter)/ Facebook/Instagram.
- ☐ I understand that I may be required to attend events which occur after school or during weekends/holidays.

If you have any queries, please write them on the reverse of this sheet.

Signed: (Parent/Guardian/Carer)

Name:(Parent/Guardian/Carer)

Date:



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QUERIES RELATING TO THIS CONSENT FORM:

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Please advise the member of school staff or GMP Officer that you want to discuss the above queries with them.

Signed:

Date:

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Learning Objectives:



- Police Caution
- Phonetic Alphabet
- How to apply handcuffs
- Guide to using Police radio
- Carry out an arrest

	A alpha	B bravo	C charlie	D delta	E echo	
F foxtrot	G golf	H hotel	I india	J julett	K kilo	L lima
M mike	N november	O oscar	P papa	Q quebec	R romeo	S sierra
T tango	U uniform	V victor	W whiskey	X xray	Y yankee	Z zulu



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Police Caution



“You do not have to say anything, but it may harm your defence if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in court.

Anything you do say may be given in evidence”.

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Police Caution

- In England and Wales, police officers use the police caution as a verbal statement which is delivered to a suspect when they are arrested or interviewed.
- The police caution advises the suspect of their legal rights and the potential consequences of remaining silent or providing false information to the police.
- Upon arrest, a suspect has several legal rights, including:
 - The right to remain silent: A suspect has the right to remain silent and not incriminate themselves.
 - They do not have to answer any questions or make any statements if they do not want to.
 - The right to legal representation: A suspect has the right to have a solicitor present during questioning or to consult with a solicitor before answering any questions.
 - The right to medical attention: A suspect has the right to medical attention if they need it.
 - The right to inform someone: A suspect has the right to inform someone of their arrest and whereabouts.

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Phonetic Alphabet

- Set of words used to spell out letters in oral communication.
- The phonetic alphabet is used by many professional communicators, including Air traffic control, Police and other emergency services

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Demonstration of applying handcuffs & using the Police radio

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Scenario

- Investigate a case of Theft
- Locate and arrest a suspect using handcuffs
- Issue the Police caution
- Use the Police radio and phonetic alphabet