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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015062/G

I write in connection with your request for information dated 07/07/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Time window

21 June 2025 - 7 July 2025 inclusive.

Information requested

1. *All recorded information (e-mails, text/WhatsApp messages, police decision logs, Gold/Silver/Bronze logs, intelligence reports, briefing notes, PowerPoint/PDF decks) that mentions:
 - a. "Radar Festival"
 - b. "Bob Vylan"
 - c. "Victoria Warehouse"
 - d. "death to the IDF"
 - e. anticipated disorder / "public order" linked to the above.*
2. *Any risk-assessment, threat-assessment or intelligence product created by GMP in relation to the proposed Bob Vylan performance on 5 July 2025.*
3. *Records of meetings or telephone conferences between GMP personnel and:
 - a) Trafford Council;
 - b) Victoria Warehouse (or its parent company);
 - c) the event promoter (Radar Festival);concerning that performance.*

4. *Any written advice or instruction from GMP to Trafford Council or Victoria Warehouse about the use of Public Order Act 1986 powers (sections 12, 14 or otherwise) or Licensing Act 2003 "summary review" powers.*
5. *A schedule (date, author, recipients, subject) of any items withheld and the exemption applied.*

Format

Electronic copies (original e-mail files, PDFs, Word docs, etc.) delivered by e-mail.

Where exemptions (e.g. s 31) are invoked, please explain in detail how disclosure would prejudice that function and why the public interest favours withholding.

If you intend to refuse or charge, treat this as an immediate request for internal review.

Result of Searches

Information relating to part one of your request is not held in an easily retrievable format, if it is indeed held at all. To provide "all recorded information" on a particular topic would require each division, sub-division and possibly each individual officer to undertake necessary searches to establish if they hold any emails, messages or pocket notebook entries that are relevant to your request.

To determine whether the requested information is held would take over 18 hours' work and therefore exceeds the appropriate limit of £450.00, 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.

If one part of the request engages a **Section 12** response, the whole request will engage a Section 12 response. The reason being is locating, retrieving and extracting any further information would only add to the already exceeded time obligations and so no other searches have been completed at this stage

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice

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. The only advice that GMP can give is that you specify a particular district or business area within GMP to make your request more manageable within the fees limit of the act, although this still may not be possible for even one area.