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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014821/R

I write in connection with your request for information dated 23/05/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. Please can you tell me how many people are currently released under investigation (as of 23 May 2025), the offence/s they were arrested for and how long they have been RUI.***
- 2. How many suspects currently RUI have been re-arrested for another offence - please state the offence/s they were rearrested for and the date they were re-arrested.***

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

GMP would be unable to respond to question 2 of this request without carrying out a substantial review manually on over 24,000 records that fall into this request. Due to how we record the information, each record will need to be trawled through to gather the number of suspects who have been re-arrested for another offence, and then to locate and retrieve the offence that they were re-arrested for. Given the large scale task to answer this part of the request, we will not be able to comply within the fee's limit.

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.

Therefore, as per **Section 12(1)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is above 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.

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. 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 question 2. 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.