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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014482/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 26/03/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I'm writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

The number of arrests made at the following music festivals in 2022, 2023, and 2024, broken down by arresting offence:

*Parklife Festival
Moovin Festival*

Where possible, please use Home Office offence classifications for consistency across police forces.

For each year (2022, 2023, and 2024), please provide data for the duration of the festival, including any days before/after if arrests are recorded in connection with the event.

Please provide this information in Excel or CSV format, listing the festival name, year, and arresting offence.

If providing data for all years exceeds the cost/time limit, please prioritise the most recent data (e.g., just 2023 and 2024).

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by GMP.

However, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

The information requested is not held centrally and to determine the number of arrests at the Parklife or Moovin' music festivals. To determine the figure would require a manual review of all custody records for the districts that these festivals take place in. A manual review would be necessary to establish which arrests were made at the festivals, rather than elsewhere in those districts.

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.

However, in accordance with Section 16(1) – the duty to provide advice and assistance – of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Greater Manchester Police will be unable able to provide advice for you to reduce the request for the force to keep this within the fees limit.