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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014710/L

I write in connection with your request for information dated 06/05/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

For each year since 2014 inclusive, please can you provide me with the total number of reports of sexual assault / rape / indecent exposure you received and recorded as having taken place at the Parklife music festival?

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.

Caveats:

In July 2019, GMP implemented one of the largest IT infrastructure changes in UK policing. The systems are in continual development and the data provided for this request is what the systems currently hold.

- To obtain this data a search was completed for all Rape & Other Sexual Offences and then this was filtered to incidents occurring in Heaton Park. The results were reviewed to establish if the incident occurred during 'Parklife'.
- Please note Indecent Exposure crimes will be included within the Other Sexual Offences figures.

Due to some low numbers, the total results have been merged together as by providing all this information split by individual years and offence as you have requested would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individual(s) concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By replacing the data this way, it can be provided in its entirety.

For the period 2014 – 2024 there have been a total of 11 recorded Rape and/or other sexual offences occurring at the Parklife Music Festival.