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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015700/N

I write in connection with your request for information dated 21/10/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

All crimes and ASB Incidents tagged as alcohol related in the postcode BL1 3BA for the previous 12 months (October 24-Oct 25) for the times 07:00 - 23:00 Sunday to Saturday (every day)

Result of Searches

The Freedom of Information Act provides the public with a general right of access to recorded information held by public authorities. However, information disclosed under this Act is effectively released into the public domain, or to the 'wider world', and not only to the person making the request. In cases where the public request information relating to individuals, it would be extremely rare for a public authority to release such information to the whole world under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Therefore, in accordance with the Act, this letter represents a refusal notice for this request.

Greater Manchester Police can neither confirm nor deny that it holds the information you requested for ***the postcode BL1 3BA*** as the duty in Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply, by virtue of the following exemption:

Section 40(5B)(a)(i) - Personal Information – giving information to a member of the public of the confirmation or denial that would have to be given to comply with section 1(1)(a) would (apart from this Act) contravene any of the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018.

To confirm that any information is held or not, could confirm personal data. In some circumstances confirming or denying whether information is held could itself identify a living individual and would therefore breach the principles of the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018.

Personal data is defined by Article 4 of the GDPR and Part 1 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'). An identified natural person is one who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.

This use of neither confirm nor deny should not be taken as proof that such information does or does not exist.

However, I have provided some data below that relates to your request for the "beat" area covered for the postcode BL1 3BA.

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.

- This data contains crimes with a created date between 1st October 2024 and 20th October 2025, where one of the alcohol flags was ticked and the crime location beat is 'Halliwell and Queens Park', excluding cancelled crimes and crimes classified as fraud. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules. Details regarding fraud crime can be obtained by contacting the NFIB.
- We are aware of various system issues affecting committed at locations for new and migrated crimes (see below for details). These issues mean that data for a specific location may include crimes that did not happen in that location and/or exclude crimes that did.
 - Some crimes do not have a beat code, which means that they cannot be mapped to other geographies e.g. districts.
 - Some crimes have an incorrect beat code, which means that they are mapped to the wrong geographies.
 - Some crimes do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.
 - We are unable to identify "incidents" as there is no alcohol flag for this on our system.

Crime Created on Date (By Month)	Crime : Reported Beat Name	Crime Volume with Alcohol flag ticked
October 2024	Halliwell and Queens Park	17
November 2024	Halliwell and Queens Park	22
December 2024	Halliwell and Queens Park	23
January 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	14
February 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	16
March 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	21
April 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	15
May 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	26
June 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	19
July 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	19
August 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	13
September 2025	Halliwell and Queens Park	9