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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/25/015802/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 06/11/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I would like to make a request for information under the freedom of information act.

Could you please provide me with a list of all the crimes recorded by your force for the offence Aiding Suicide (offence classification number 07601) since the start of January 2015.

For each crime could you please provide the date, location, description and outcome.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information. 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.

- This data contains crimes with a created date between 01/01/2015 and 09/11/2025, where the HO 5 digit code is 176/01 (Aiding Suicide), excluding cancelled crimes. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules.
- Management of Police Information regulations state that non-essential records should be removed from police systems six financial years after the year in which they were originally created. This means that data that is more than six financial years old may be incomplete and should not be compared to more recent data.

- A crime outcome of 'Missing Value' means that the investigation is ongoing and an outcome has not yet been applied.

Due to low numbers returned, the location, outcome, year and crime description have been split from each other as by providing all this information together 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 splitting this data, it can be provided in its entirety.

Outcome	Total
Evidential Difficulties Victim Based – Named suspect not identified: The crime is confirmed but the victim either declines/ or is unable to support further police investigation to identify the offender.	2
Investigation Complete: No suspect identified. Crime investigated as far as reasonably possible –Case closed pending further investigative opportunities becoming available	4
Missing Value	1
Named Suspect identified: evidential difficulties prevent further action; victim does not support (or has withdrawn support from) police action.	6
Named Suspect identified: victim supports police action, but evidential difficulties prevent further action.	20
Named Suspect Identified; Prosecution not in the public interest	2

Location	Total
Bolton	4
Bury	3
CoM Central	2
CoM North	1
CoM South	4
Oldham	2
Rochdale	2
Salford	5
Stockport	1
Tameside	2
Trafford	2
Unknown	5
Wigan	2

Year	Total
2015	1
2016	2
2017	1
2018	1
2019	3
2020	7
2021	4
2022	5
2023	5
2024	4
2025	2

Where redaction occurs within the below crime descriptions (shown by XXX), this relates to Section 40(2) Personal Information, this represents information that identifies a living individual, to disclose this information would 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.

Crime Description
OFFENDER WHO XXX XXX KNOWING THE INTENTION IS FOR THAT PERSON TO ATTEMPT TAKING OF THEIR OWN LIFE (SUICIDE)
OFFENDER SUPPLIES AP WITH A LARGE QUANTITY XXX TABLETS RESULTING IN HOSPITALIZATION.
XXX COME TO AN AGREEMENT TO COMMIT SUICIDE TOGETHER, XXX
XXX ENCOURAGED XXX CONSUME XXX TABLETS TO CAUSE AN OVERDOSE XXX
XXX SAYS TO AP "XXX" XXX
VICTIM ATTEMPTS TO COMMIT SUICIDE BY XXX.XXX
XXX AP TO TAKE PILLS XXX. AP HAS TAKING PILLS AND OVERDOSED.XXX

It is alleged that some time before XXX, the suspect provided the victim with XXX tablets which the victim took XXX
Offender, XXX, has when visiting victim XXX, has supplied XXX which the victim has later used to attempt to take own life.
victim accesses a website called "XXX" where XXX is encouraged to commit suicide by taking a substance called XXX. XXX
Offender supplied XXX to victim knowing victim wanted it to kill XXX. Victim took it but did not die
Offender XXX purchases a quantity of XXX, and gives a quantity of prescription medication to the AP. Offender encourages AP to take overdose.
Offender and AP XXX encourages the AP to commit suicide. Offender provides the AP with a XXX and asks XXX to XXX
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victim is XXX victim contacts offenders XXX asks then to drop of XXX as XXX wants to kill XXX, offenders drop off XXX to the XXX
Offender provides an excessive amount of medication to XXXX.
AP, XXX, has taken an overdose of over the XXX medication that was initially provided by XXX
The subject has stockpiled an amount of medication XXX
offender contacts a/p XXX. Offender encourages a/p to commit suicide tells a/p you are not worth living and should take your own life. XXX
XXX. Offender has contacted the AP through text XXX. The offender has told the AP "XXX". This resulted in the AP XXX
XXX
Suspect sends messages to the victim telling "XXX." Victim is later found deceased XXX
XXX victim alludes to wanting to end XXX life and then has made an attempt unsuccessfully to do so.
XXX offender(s) have been sending AP abusive and malicious messages such as "XXX" causing AP severe alarm and distress.
XXX purchases prescribed drug off unknown offender. Victim disclosed to the offender that the reason for the purchase was to commit suicide. XXX
ASSISTED POSSIBLE SUICIDE ATTEMPT
Offender via social media encourages others ingest items which could lead to their death
XXX offender entourages the victim to commit suicide, stating "XXX"
Inft reporting XXX for encouraging XXX to self-harm
XXX malicious communications towards the victim, amounting to encouraging AP to commit the act of suicide
Offenders have engaged with victim via social media and encouraged XXX to commit an act of self harm, XXX
Offender has become verbally abusive, offender has made the comment to ap ' XXX' which has upset ap
Offender contacts XXX and sends messages to XXX telling XXX
XXX WHERE TO SEARCH THE INTERNET FOR METHODS OF SUICIDE
XXX offender whilst on phone call to the AP has told AP to go and kill XXX has made threats towards the AP via phone call and text message stating XXX