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I write in connection with your request for information dated 22/09/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

*I am a [REDACTED],
which has already seen five separate sentencing dates: [REDACTED].*

It is my understanding that a restraining order was issued against [REDACTED] 10-13 years ago [REDACTED]. Given this long-standing history of harassment, the repeated adjournments raise serious questions about victim protection and the urgency of sentencing.

I am seeking clarity on the following points:

- 1. Why have sentencing dates been repeatedly adjourned, and what factors contributed to these delays?*
- 2. What measures are in place to ensure timely progression of cases, particularly those with documented long-term threats to victims?*
- 3. How does Greater Manchester Police monitor or coordinate with the CPS and courts to prevent prolonged delays in cases with prior history?*
- 4. Are any internal reviews being conducted regarding administrative or procedural factors that have contributed to this repeated adjournment?*

The repeated delays have significant implications for the victims and public confidence in the justice system. I would appreciate a prompt response and any official statements you can provide.

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 some of the information you have requested is held by GMP.

The information you have requested in questions 1 and 4 is not held by GMP. Please contact His Majesty's Courts and Tribunal Service for this information.

Regarding questions 2 and 3, GMP has Criminal Justice clusters for each district who monitor the progression of case files and will chase, update and assist as and when necessary. In addition to the file units, there are units specifically to monitor high risk domestic abuse and/or sexual offenders, so they would also possibly have oversight. There are also operations (both completed and ongoing) between CPS, the courts and GMP that aim to expedite certain files or facilitate discussion between officers and solicitors.