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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014994/L

I write in connection with your request for information dated 24/06/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Request under the Freedom of Information Act - Arson

- 1) *Please provide information of how many offences of arson were reported in the years 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25 to the present date.*
- 2) *Please also provide information as to how many arrests on suspicion of arson, or in connection with arson investigations, in those years.*
- 3) *Please provide information as to the outcomes of the cases - either no further action, charges, or investigations continuing.*

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.

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 01/04/2022 and 26/06/2025 where the HO 5-digit code is either 056/01 or 056/02, 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.

1.

Year	Crime Count
2022/23	1895
2023/24	1604
2024/25	1551

2.

Year	Arrest Count
2022/23	241
2023/24	248
2024/25	231

3.

Year	Arrest Disposal	Count
2022/23	Caution	1
	Caution (conditional)	4
	Charged	49
	Charged - Postal Requisition	13
	No Further Action Complete	160
	Postal Charge	1
	Released Without Bail	9
	Restorative Approach	4
2023/22	Caution	2
	Caution (conditional)	1
	Charged	55
	Charged - Postal Requisition	4
	No Further Action Complete	165
	Pending	4
	Police Bail For CPS Decision – 37(7)	2
	Postal Charge	2
2023/24	Released Without Bail	13
	Cautioned (Conditional)	1
	Charged	65
	Charged - Postal Requisition	1
	No Further Action Complete	136
	Pending	3
	Police Bail for CPS Decision – 37(7)	7
	Released without Bail	17
	Restorative Approach	1