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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015221/D

I write in connection with your request for information dated 29/07/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please supply the following for the period 1 Jan 2019 to the most recent month available:

1. *Monthly arrest totals broken down by Home Office crime type.*
2. *Recorded offences and separate arrest totals for:*
 - *Knife enabled crime*
 - *Gang related violence*
 - *Residential burglary*
 - *Sexual offences*
3. *Grooming gang investigations: number opened, number concluded, prosecutions secured.*
4. *Arrests, charges, or convictions involving foreign national suspects (please break down by nationality if held).*
5. *Cases closed with "No Further Action" (NFA) – provide count and % of total.*
6. *Recorded allegations that the force failed to act on reports of child sexual exploitation (outcome of each).*
7. *Stop and search and use of force incidents (form 5090) – monthly totals by ethnicity, age, and outcome.*

Please supply the data in CSV or XLSX format with column headers. If any element is refused, kindly provide the specific statutory exemption and confirm whether any partial disclosure is possible.

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.

However, Greater Manchester Police (GMP) does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To provide the data requested in question 2 would involve a manual search of violence against the person crimes to determine which are gang related, as this is not a flag we can add to our crime reports.

A search of our crime records shows that there are 786,283 crimes that would have to be reviewed manually. At a very conservative estimate of 5 minutes to locate, retrieve and review each file it would take approximately 65,000 hours to ascertain the data required.

Therefore, to comply with the whole of your request the process would take over 18 hours' work which exceeds the appropriate limit of £450.00, the amount to which we are legally required to respond.

As per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is therefore above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information that you are requesting will need to be reduced to a greatly reduced time period. The resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk.