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Our ref: FOI/26/016224/F

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016224/F

I write in connection with your request for information dated 22/01/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Thank you for your response to my FOI request (ref: FOI/25/015493/Z).

I acknowledge the refusal on cost and time grounds but wish to appeal this on the grounds of there being a faster and easier way to obtain the disclosure requested.

You say that the information would take too long to retrieve as it would require a keyword search for 'hospital' and a manual review of records.

However, I know that officers recording incidents and crimes have the option to enter a location, i.e. hospital, and I believe that filtering the available data by the location field would provide the desired results quickly, without the need for a manual review.

I'm aware that this approach will not capture the total sum of crimes linked to hospitals as the location entry is optional. However, I'd be willing to accept the disclosure within this limitation.

If it helps you to know, other forces have provided the information requested by filtering data in this way.

Could you please come back to me as soon as you can to let me know if you are able to take the same approach and provide the disclosure requested without this having to progress to a more formal appeal?

ORIGINAL REQUEST

Under the provisions of the FOI Act, please can you provide the following:

The total number of crimes logged by your force that happened in, or on, hospital grounds in the years 2019/20 to 2023/24.

Please could these be broken down as follows:

For each year

By the nature of each crime description

What the crime outcome was for each crime And the name of the hospital in each case

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 1st April 2019 and 31st March 2024, where the MO keyword 'hospital' flag has been ticked, excluding cancelled crimes and crimes classified as non-counting 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.
- The MO keywords are not mandatory and may not be completed.
 - There may be relevant records missing from our response where this field has not been completed.
 - As these are optional fields, an increase or decrease in crime volume where these fields are part of the filtering may not indicate a true increase or decrease of the volume of these crimes, but may reflect a change in usage of this field.
- A crime outcome of 'Missing Value' means that the investigation is ongoing and an outcome has not yet been applied.
- We cannot confirm if the crime occurred in or on hospital grounds or the hospital name without manually reviewing each crime to confirm the information.

Crime	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
All other theft offences	58	59	117	293	432	88
Bicycle theft	3	8	9	22	24	5
Business and community burglary	4	11	18	24	31	8
Criminal damage and arson offences	36	46	121	202	302	87
Death or serious injury caused by unlawful driving	0	0	0	0	1	0
Miscellaneous crimes against society	3	5	11	26	28	7
Other sexual offences	4	14	28	111	192	40

Possession of drugs	1	6	7	9	13	5
Possession of weapon offences	4	2	9	20	29	18
Public order offences	32	82	281	515	639	153
Rape	2	5	11	32	65	18
Residential burglary	0	3	7	10	8	1
Robbery of business property	0	0	1	0	0	0
Robbery of personal property	0	1	3	3	6	5
Shoplifting	4	0	0	1	16	4
Stalking and harassment	7	20	66	131	179	40
Theft from the person	3	3	20	36	51	13
Trafficking of drugs	0	1	2	2	4	2
Vehicle offences	16	8	24	62	53	4
Violence with injury	70	161	276	574	560	150
Violence without injury	99	253	510	919	1267	372

Outcome	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Cannabis or Khat warning	0	0	1	1	0	0
Caution - Adults	1	3	7	2	9	8
Charged/Summonsed	23	37	51	68	94	51
Charged/Summonsed Alternative Offence	1	5	12	20	11	5
Community Resolution	1	4	6	7	21	6
Diversionary, Educational, Intervention complete. Further action not in public interest.	1	0	3	11	5	2
Evidential Difficulties Victim Based – Named suspect not identified: The crime is confirmed but the victim either declines/ or is unable to support further police	20	53	120	310	269	25

investigation to identify the offender.						
Formal action against the offender is not in the public interest (Police)	13	13	13	21	17	6
Investigation Complete: No suspect identified. Crime investigated as far as reasonably possible –Case closed pending further investigative opportunities becoming available	79	124	257	661	959	220
Missing Value	25	7	6	14	21	4
Named Suspect identified: evidential difficulties prevent further action; victim does not support (or has withdrawn support from) police action.	57	181	537	810	1083	292
Named Suspect identified: victim supports police action but evidential difficulties prevent further action.	30	69	286	778	1098	326
Named Suspect Identified; Prosecution not in the public interest	77	159	167	215	187	48
Penalty Notices for Disorder	2	2	0	1	0	0
Prosecution not in the public interest (CPS) (all offences)	0	1	1	1	11	1
Prosecution prevented – Named suspect identified but is below the age of criminal responsibility	0	0	0	0	0	1
Prosecution prevented – Named suspect identified but is too ill (physical or mental health) to prosecute	13	16	32	56	75	14
Prosecution prevented – Named suspect identified but victim or key witness	1	7	3	2	19	1

is dead or too ill to give evidence						
Prosecution time limit expired: Suspect identified but prosecution time limit has expired.	2	4	14	10	16	10
Taken Into Consideration	0	0	2	0	0	0
The offender has died (all offences)	0	3	3	4	5	0