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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016544/S

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11/03/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information.

1. *The number of employees within your police force payroll system currently subject to a Child Maintenance Service Deduction from Earnings Order (DEO).*
2. *The number of employees within your payroll system who have had a Child Maintenance Service Deduction from Earnings Order applied during the following financial years:*
 - 2021–2022
 - 2022–2023
 - 2023–2024
 - 2024–2025 (or latest available)

Please provide the information as aggregated numerical totals only.

If possible, please provide a breakdown between:

- a) *sworn police officers*
- b) *police staff.*

If the breakdown cannot be provided within the cost limit, please provide the combined total.

If any part of the request exceeds the cost threshold, please provide any portion of the information that can be supplied within the cost limit.

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

Due to low numbers being returned for some years, some of the totals have been replaced with X, as by providing exact figures as you have requested would significantly increase the likelihood of identifying the individuals concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By replacing this data in this way, it can be provided in its entirety.

	Current	2025/26	2024/25	2023/24	2022/23	2021/22
Police Officer	12	21	15	7	5	10
Police Staff	X	6	X	X	X	X