

**Date:** 23/03/2026  
**Our ref:** 01/FOI/26/016542/Q

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016542/Q**

I write in connection with your request for information dated 10/03/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

***This request concerns the existence, recognition, and operation within your force of any staff network or group affiliated with Police SEEN UK, or any internal staff network organised around what is commonly described as "gender critical" ideology.***

***For clarity, this request concerns staff networks, associations, or groups operating within the police force structure, whether recognised formally or informally (including those linked to staff associations or Police Federation branches).***

***Please provide the following information.***

***1. Existence of networks***

***1.1 Does your force currently recognise, permit, host, or otherwise facilitate a staff network affiliated with Police SEEN UK or a comparable gender critical network?***

***1.2 If yes, please state:***

- \* The name of the network***
- \* The date it was established or recognised by the force***
- \* Whether it is formally recognised as a staff network***

***1.3 If no such network currently exists, please confirm whether any proposal or application has ever been made to establish one.***

***2. Applications and decisions***

**2.1 Has any individual or group applied (formally or informally) to establish a branch of Police SEEN UK or a similar gender critical network?**

**2.2 If yes, please provide:**

- \* The date(s) of the application or request**
- \* The decision maker(s) responsible for considering it**
- \* Whether it was approved, refused, or remains pending**

**2.3 Please provide copies of any policy documents, internal guidance, or decision records relating to the approval or refusal of such a network.**

### **3. Governance**

**If such a network exists, please identify:**

- \* The senior officer or manager who authorised recognition**
- \* Any governance framework, recognition agreement, terms of reference, constitution, or memorandum of understanding relating to the network**

**Please provide copies of any relevant documents.**

### **4. Membership**

**4.1 Please provide the number of current members within the force.**

**4.2 Please provide the number of police officers and police staff who are members.**

**4.3 If available, please provide a rank or role breakdown (e.g. constable, sergeant, staff roles), without identifying individuals.**

**4.4 Please confirm whether the force holds a membership list identifying individuals. If personal data exemptions apply, please still provide the total membership numbers.**

### **5. Use of force resources**

**Please confirm whether the network receives any of the following:**

- \* Official recognition as a staff network**
- \* Access to internal communication platforms (e.g. intranet groups)**
- \* Use of police premises for meetings**
- \* Administrative or financial support**
- \* Participation in senior leadership or diversity forums**

**If so, please provide details.**

### **6. Equality assessment**

**Please provide copies of any Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) or similar equality analysis undertaken prior to recognising or supporting such a network. If none was undertaken, please confirm.**

### **7. Complaints**

**Please state whether the force has received internal or external complaints regarding such a network. If so, please provide the number of complaints, the year received, and the outcome (with personal data redacted if necessary).**

**Result of Searches**

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

- 1. No
- 1.2 – N/A
- 1.3 - No applications or proposal received.

2.1 – No

All remaining questions are N/A.