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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/016023/D

I write in connection with your request for information dated 17/12/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. The number of crime reports in your database since 1 January 2023 which refer to the website fabswingers.com or to "FabSwingers" or to "Fab Swingers". If necessary to comply with the cost limit, please limit this to searching the MO summary field for these three keyword searches.***
- 2. a) The number of people who were charged in relation to these reports; b) The number of people who were cautioned in relation to these reports; c) The number of cases where investigation is still continuing***
- 3. A breakdown of the answer to question 1 by the category of offence allegedly involved***
- 4. A breakdown of the answers to question 2 by the category of offence allegedly involved***

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.

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 01/01/2023 and 17/12/2025 where the crime description or crime MO description contains 'fab swingers' or 'fabswingers',

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.

Please note:

- The keyword methodology does not account for spelling errors.

Questions 1 and 3.

Crime Latest Classification : HO Offence Group	Crime Volume
Stalking	3
Other Theft	1
Criminal Damage to a vehicle	1
Other Miscellaneous Sexual Offences	2
Trafficking in controlled drugs	1
Exploitation of Prostitution	1
Blackmail	7
Criminal Damage - Residential	1
Dishonest Use of Electricity	1
Assault with injury / 8S Assault with injury on a constable /8T Assault with injury on an emergency worker (other than a constable)	1
Rape of a Female aged 16 and over	1
Theft or Unauthorised Taking of Motor Vehicle	1
Malicious Communications	8
Assault without Injury	1
	1
Controlling or Coercive Behaviour	1
Theft in a dwelling other than from automatic machine or meter	1
Harassment	6

Questions 2 and 4.

Volume of people charged = 2. The crime types for these are 8R 'malicious communications' and 35 'blackmail'.

Volume of people cautioned = 0.

Volume of crimes still open: 6 (see below)

Crime Latest Classification : HO Offence Group	Crime Volume
Dishonest Use of Electricity	1
Assault with injury / 8S Assault with injury on a constable /8T Assault with injury on an emergency worker (other than a constable)	1
Exploitation of Prostitution	1
Rape of a Female aged 16 and over	1
Other Miscellaneous Sexual Offences	1
Trafficking in controlled drugs	1