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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016197/T

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19/01/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am writing to request information about police officer recruitment plans for your force for the forthcoming 12-month period.

Specifically, I would like to receive the following details:

- 1. Planned Number of Police Officers to be Recruited**
 - a. The total number of police officer positions your force intends to recruit over the next 12 months.**
- 2. Which routes you intend to use to recruit by:**
 - a. PCEP**
 - b. PCDA**
 - c. DHEP**
 - d. PPD**
 - e. Detective programme**
- 3. Recruitment Window(s)**
 - a. The expected or confirmed dates when recruitment windows will open and close for these police officer positions.**
- 4. Support for Applicants**
 - a. Details of any support, guidance, or resources your force provides (or plans to provide) to applicants during the recruitment process. For example:**
 - b. Applicant workshops**
 - c. Preparation materials (e.g., for assessments or interviews)**
 - d. Dedicated applicant support contacts**
 - e. Outreach to under-represented or specific communities**

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. 500
2. PCEP = 300 & The Detective Programme = 200
3. Applications for Policer Officer roles are open ended.
4. The information held is below.
 - The Preparation materials are documents and links to support the specific stage in the process. This would be documents like the Ethical Policing Principals, The Competency and values framework along with College of Policing links to the national Processes.
 - Additionally, there are programmes to attend at schools, colleges and community events to provide awareness and to draw attention to the recruitment drive.