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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017089/U

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18/06/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am seeking information relating to the area surrounding [REDACTED], in connection with a sexual entertainment venue (SEV) licence application.

Please can you provide a breakdown for the timeframe June 2024-June 2026, as follows:

The number of reported incidents of:

- * sexual offences (including sexual assault and harassment)*
- * violent crime*
- * anti-social behaviour*
- * public order offences*

** Any recorded incidents occurring at the premises, or flagged within police systems as associated with the premises, during the specified period (if such data is held).*

** Any representations, reports or submissions made by the police in relation to SEV licence applications or reviews in the specified area during the stated period.*

If possible, please provide this data for the specified area and timeframe, and where possible, broken down by offence type.

If this request exceeds the cost limit, I would be grateful if you could advise how it may be refined.

If any of the requested information is exempt, please provide the remaining information and explain the basis for any exemptions applied.

I would prefer to receive the information electronically.

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

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.

Crimes:

- This data contains crimes with a created date between 01/06/2024 and 31/05/2026, where the location custom text, location description, or location building contains [REDACTED] and the Location Postcode is [REDACTED], 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.
- We are aware of various issues with our crime recording system affecting committed at locations for some crimes (see below for details). These issues mean that data for a specific location may include crimes that did not happen in that location and/or exclude crimes that did.
 - Some crimes do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.
- Please note:
 - The address recorded may not be where the crime happened e.g. where the crime happened in the street and the address was used as a reference point.
 - There may be more than one variation of the same address.

Incidents:

- This data contains anti-social behaviour incidents with a created date between 01/06/2024 and 31/05/2026, where the location custom text, location description, or location building contains [REDACTED] and the Location Postcode is [REDACTED], excluding incidents with a closing code of L10 Duplicate, L19 Error or L22 Test or training.
- We are aware of issues with our incident recording system affecting locations for incidents (see below for details). These issues mean that data for a specific location may include incidents that did not happen in that location and/or exclude incidents that did.
 - Some incidents do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.

Sexual Crimes: 0
Violence Crimes: 3
Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents: 1
Public Order Offences: 0

The following is the representations made by GMP's Wigan District Licensing Officer regarding the Sexual Entertainment Venue Licensing:

“Police Representations – Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) Licensing

I have attended this premises on an annual basis to support Wigan Council Licensing Enforcement during scheduled licence reviews. Most recently, the licence was reviewed by the local authority on 26 June 2026, which was attended by two Wigan Council Licensing Enforcement Officers. Police attendance was not required on that occasion.

Based on my professional experience overseeing licensing within the district over the past four years, I can confirm that this premises has consistently been well managed and professionally operated. The venue demonstrates strong compliance with licensing objectives, including:

- Attendance and active participation in the local Pubwatch scheme
- Effective incident recording and documentation processes
- Deployment of appropriately trained and SIA-registered door staff
- Maintenance of good quality CCTV systems

As part of my routine duties, I conduct weekly incident reviews across the district. Incidents linked to this premises are rare, and there is no identifiable pattern of disorder or crime associated with its operation. I have not identified any concerns relating to crime and disorder, public safety, or other licensing objectives during my tenure.

The premises was already licensed as a Sexual Entertainment Venue prior to my appointment in this role. Since that time, I have not encountered any issues that would justify police intervention, objection, or support for a licence review.

Conclusion:

Based on the available information and my professional experience, there are no grounds from a policing perspective to support a review or challenge to the current SEV licence.”

Further information on the licensing process may be available from Wigan Council.