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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017064/L

I write in connection with your request for information dated 12/06/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I am requesting written confirmation of a police-led incident that occurred on 19 May 2026 on the M60 southbound at approximately 05:30am.

This incident caused a full closure and significant delays, which resulted in me missing a scheduled flight that morning. My travel insurer requires official confirmation from Greater Manchester Police to support my missed-departure claim.

Could you please provide:

- 1. Confirmation that a police incident occurred on the M60 southbound at around 05:30 on 19/05/2026***
- 2. The incident reference number (if available)***
- 3. A brief statement confirming that the incident caused delays or a road closure***

This information is solely for the purpose of submitting evidence to my insurer.

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.

However, I am not obliged to supply the information you have requested as an exemption applies.

When refusing to provide such information because an exemption applies, Section 17(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires GMP, to provide you - the applicant - with a notice which:

(a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

Questions 1 and 3 are exempt under **Section 21 – Information accessible to applicant by other means**. The response to this request is available online. Please follow the links below.

[M60 drivers trapped in major delays after motorway shuts - Manchester Evening News](#)

[M60 closed due to 'police-led incident' | Bury Times](#)

[M60 Traffic Update: Police-Led Incident Triggers Closure in Greater Manchester – Check Affected Routes, Diversion Routes, Reopening Time, Delays & More](#)

In addition, **question 2** is exempted from disclosure under **Section 40(2) Personal Information** – this information constitutes personal data of an identifiable living individual/s, and to disclose this information would breach the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data is defined by Section 1 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and means data that relates to an individual who can be identified directly or indirectly from that data.

Section 40 is an absolute exemption with no requirement to complete a public interest test.