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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017146/M

I write in connection with your request for information dated 30/06/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

On the 29th March 2026 at approximately 4:30-5:00AM, I was driving to Manchester Airport Terminal 2 and there was a road incident on the motorway, which condensed 4 lanes into 1 and we had to come off at I believe Junction 24 on the M60.

This caused us to miss our flight, and the insurance company is requesting an official report from yourselves confirming the incident. They have requested that the information contains the date, time, location and incident details.

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 all the information as an exemption applies.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Greater Manchester Police, when refusing to provide such information (because this information is exempt) 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.

Any **official report** 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.

However, GMP can report the following update.

Officers were called to reports of a concern for welfare on Lingard Lane bridge over the M60 at Bredbury, Stockport.

The Police led response to this incident included closure of the clockwise M60 at junction 24, and anticlockwise from junction 25.

The incident was ongoing until the M60 was confirmed fully re-opened at 07.09hrs 29/03/2026.