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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016831/W**

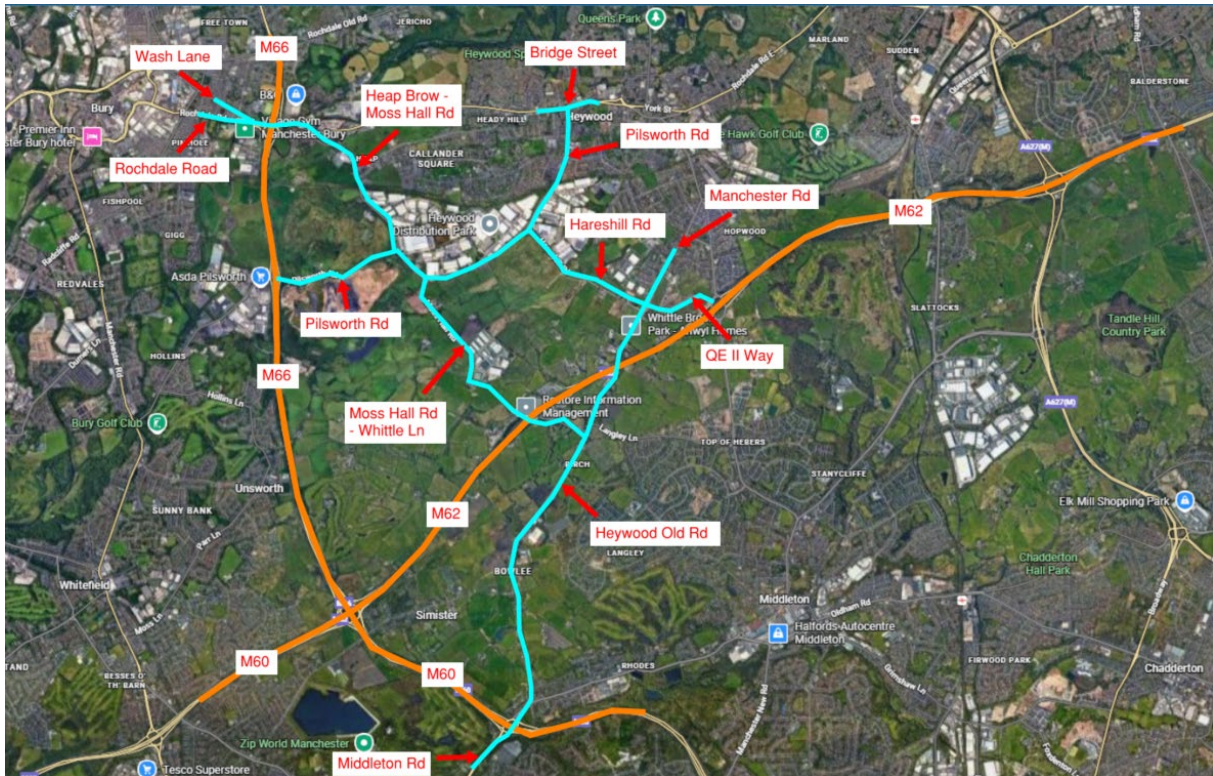
I write in connection with your request for information dated 06/05/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

***We are interested in vehicle collision data for the period between 2020 - 2025.***

***Typically, it would include the following categories.***

- A. Accident Reference***
- B. Collision Severity***
- C. Data and Time of Collision***
- D. Weather***
- E. Road Conditions***
- F. Locational information (eastings and northings, longitude and latitudes)***
- G. Police Officers description of Collision***
- H. Contributory Factors.***

***For the work we are undertaking, the bottom two items listed above are key for the data.***



### **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.

**Parts A, B, part of C, F and G** are 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.

### **Please note –**

We have been unable to accurately map the areas requested. Manually mapping the desired areas would exceed the time limitations laid out in the FOIA, therefore, we have provided all collision data for the areas of Rochdale, Bury and Oldham which I believe capture the routes being asked.

Data provided is from April 2021 which is when our current collision recording system was introduced so the dates will cover April 2021 to December 2025.

Due to the likelihood of identification, the dates have been provided by a yearly breakdown as by providing all this information split by individual collision as you have requested would significantly

increase the likelihood of identifying the individual(s) concerned, and as such the exemption under S40(2) – Personal Information, would be engaged and result in information being refused. By replacing the data this way, it can be provided in its entirety.

A.  
See exemption above.

B. -

Collision Severity	Total
Slight	1832
Less Serious	699
Moderately Serious	315
No Injury	32
Very Serious	241
Fatal	118

C. - Also see exemption above RE – Times.

Year	Total
2021	376
2022	314
2023	512
2024	1029
2025	1006

D.

Weather	Total
RAINING WITH HIGH WINDS (WIND IN EXCESS OF 35MPH)	40
FINE WITHOUT HIGH WINDS	2577
RAINING WITHOUT HIGH WINDS	553
OTHER	31
FINE WITH HIGH WINDS (WIND IN EXCESS OF 35MPH)	14
SNOWING WITHOUT HIGH WINDS	8
FOG OR MIST - IF HAZARD	12
SNOWING WITH HIGH WINDS (WIND IN EXCESS OF 35MPH)	2

E.

Road Surface Conditions	Total
WET/DAMP	1079
DRY	2102
FROST/ICE	27
FLOOD/STANDING WATER (OVER 3MM)	20
SNOW	9

F.

See exemption above for Eastings/Northings. In addition, please see the totals for the Derived Local Authority

Local Authority	Total
<b>ROCHDALE</b>	1100
<b>OLDHAM</b>	1191
<b>BURY</b>	946

G.  
See exemption above.

H.

Road Safety Factors	Total
<b>Ineffective observation by driver, rider or pedestrian</b>	853
<b>Vehicle entering road from pavement</b>	12
<b>Driver/rider's view obscured by stationary or parked vehicles</b>	66
<b>Driver/rider's vision affected by adverse weather (rain, sleet, snow, fog or spray) or dazzling sun</b>	47
<b>Driver/rider illegal turn or direction of travel or failed to comply with traffic sign/signal</b>	162
<b>Driver/rider overshot junction or poor turn/manoeuvre</b>	258
<b>Affected by alcohol</b>	111
<b>Incorrect use of crossing facility by person crossing the road</b>	71
<b>Pedestrian careless or in a hurry</b>	120
<b>Driver/rider being aggressive, dangerous or reckless</b>	252
<b>Driver/rider travelling too fast for conditions (including loss of control or swerving)</b>	243
<b>Driver/rider exceeding speed limit</b>	222
<b>Vehicle or trailer was overloaded or poorly loaded</b>	3
<b>Pedestrian, cyclist or equestrian hard to see</b>	64
<b>Distraction to driver/rider from inside/outside or on vehicle (e.g. headlight dazzle, passengers)</b>	72
<b>Driver/rider had uncorrected or defective eyesight</b>	5
<b>Road surface was slippery due to weather</b>	101
<b>Driver/rider's view obscured by blind spot</b>	31

<b>Illness or disability (physical or mental impairment)</b>	57
<b>Learner or inexperienced driver/rider (including inexperience of driving on the left)</b>	61
<b>Risk taking behaviour in carriageway (e.g. playing)</b>	62
<b>Vehicle defect (excluding tyres and lights)</b>	10
<b>Driver/rider passing too close to another road user or pedestrian</b>	79
<b>Sudden braking or braking in a way unsuitable for conditions</b>	62
<b>Using mobile device</b>	11
<b>Affected by drugs</b>	72
<b>Vehicle used in course of crime</b>	45
<b>Driver/rider moving too slowly for conditions</b>	2
<b>Driver/rider too tired to drive/ride safely</b>	24
<b>Poor or defective road surface or deposit on road</b>	20
<b>Driver/rider's view obscured by vegetation, buildings, layout or road signs</b>	18
<b>Vehicle with defective lights or not using headlights when visibility is reduced</b>	7
<b>Vehicle had defective tyres</b>	5
<b>Driver/rider disobeyed double white lines</b>	8
<b>Vehicle door opened into path of another road user or pedestrian</b>	1