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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016378/W

I write in connection with your request for information dated 12/02/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

This request is made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and relates solely to governance level policy and recorded guidance. It does not seek operational tactics, investigative methodology, or case specific information.

Please provide:

- 1. Any written policy, procedural guidance, or standard operating framework that governs the handling of cross allegations, defined as circumstances where two parties each report criminal allegations against the other.***
 - 2. Any recorded guidance or policy addressing whether, and in what circumstances, one investigation may be paused, sequenced, or placed on hold when both parties are suspects in related matters.***
 - 3. Any written governance framework concerning the management of actual or perceived conflicts of interest where:***
A - the same officer; or
B - the same investigative team
C - is assigned to deal with allegations made by each party.
 - 4. Any recorded requirement for supervisory oversight, documented rationale, or periodic review where an investigation is formally paused in such circumstances.***
- If no written policy, guidance, or recorded framework exists in relation to any of the above, please confirm that no recorded information is held.***

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 not held by GMP.

GMP do not hold any direct policies in any recorded form that match this FOI.

Additionally, GMP follow the Home Office/COP Rules – See below

[crime-recording-rules-for-frontline-officers-and-staff-2025_26-november-2025-update.pdf](#)

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