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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016452/P

I write in connection with your request for information dated 23/02/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and the applicable United Kingdom public records framework (including the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and relevant police disclosure policies in England and Wales), I respectfully request access to records related to the following law enforcement incident.

Records Requested:

- **Police or incident reports related to the airport disturbance and arrest**
- **All body worn camera footage from officers involved at Manchester Airport**
- **Dash camera and other vehicle footage from units called to the scene**

Incident Details:

- **Suspects: Mohammed Fahir Amaaz and Muhammad Amaad**
- **Date of Incident: 23 July 2024**
- **Location: Terminal 2 car park pay station, Manchester Airport, England**
- **Police Agency: Greater Manchester Police (GMP)**
- **Alleged Offences: Assault on police officers and resisting arrest after an altercation in the airport environment.**

Summary:

On 23 July 2024, officers from Greater Manchester Police responded to reports of a disturbance following an incident at a Starbucks café inside Manchester Airport. During the attempt to detain a suspect, an altercation ensued in the Terminal 2 car park area involving the suspect and his brother, resulting in a violent struggle with responding officers. During the incident, [REDACTED] suffered a broken nose after being struck in the face, while other officers were also assaulted. Body worn and CCTV footage from the encounter was later shown to a jury at Liverpool Crown Court, with testimony citing the forceful resistance faced by officers as they attempted the arrest.

I am requesting all available law enforcement records and recordings that document the initial contact, the confrontation and arrest, and all investigative materials pertaining to this event.

Referenced Article:

<https://www.indiatoday.in/world/story/police-constable-left-sobbing-with-broken-nose-after-manchester-airport-brawl-jury-sees-footage-2754084-2025-07-11>

Format of Delivery:

Please provide all records digitally via email or secure download link. If any items cannot be delivered electronically, kindly advise on alternate methods of delivery.

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 provide the information requested as exemption applies.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires GMP, when refusing to provide such information (because the 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.

The exemption which applies to this request is:

Section 30(1)(2)(a) – Investigations and Proceedings Conducted by Public Authorities.

Section 30 is a class based qualified exemption; there is a requirement to carry out a public interest test, which can be seen below.

Factors Favouring Disclosure

To disclose the information requested into the public domain would show GMP's accountability and satisfy the public that investigations into the incidents are being conducted. It would also show GMP's use of public funds in investigating incidents of this nature.

Factors Favouring Non-Disclosure

We accept that there is a legitimate and important public interest in publishing information about the investigations however, conversely to the factors in favour of disclosure, to publicly release information that is related to investigations that remain ongoing may seriously undermine GMP's ability to complete the investigations to a full and correct conclusion.

Whilst these investigations might be seen as high profile by some, to disclose any details may still hinder the process needed to be followed.

Balancing Test

When balancing the public interest test GMP must consider whether the information should be released into the public domain, therefore arguments need to be weighed against each other. The most persuasive reason for disclosing the information would be the fact that disclosure would encourage transparency. This needs to be weighed against the strongest reason for non-disclosure, which in this case is the impact on GMP's ability to complete investigations to a full and correct conclusion. Therefore, having considered all the factors for and against disclosure it is the decision at this time to maintain the above exemption and withhold the information from disclosure.

Further information

[Brothers face retrial over Manchester airport brawl - BBC News](#)