

Date: 12th March 2026
Our ref: FOI/26/016467/W

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016467/W

I write in connection with your request for information dated 25/02/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I rang 101 25.2.2025 today to ask about a road closure on the A6 Wellington Road on 8th Jan near Kingsgate House. The road was blocked by several police cars and traffic was diverted. This was at about 1:30 p.m. I would like to receive details of the incident which you are allowed to share. This is to confirm that the road was shut, cars were diverted and the length of time the diversion and road closure were in place. I would also like to know which agencies were informed of the road closure namely the local council, which departments, the highways dept and GM transport.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information. I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP. However, I am not obliged to provide all the information requested as exemptions apply.

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.

The requested information is exempt under **section 21 – Information accessible to applicant by other means**. The information referred to is already available in the Public Domain. Please follow the link below.

Some details about the incident are available in the public domain. Please follow the link below.

[M60 and A6 shut for hours as traffic stopped due to 'police incident' - Manchester Evening News](#)

The first road closure happened at 13.05hrs and all closures were reopened at 15.29hrs. Highways England were informed once the road was closed.

Any further information relating to the incident has been exempted from disclosure under Section 40(2) Personal Information – this information constitutes personal data of an identifiable living individual, 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.