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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016574/Y

I write in connection with your request for information dated 16/03/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following recorded information held by Greater Manchester Police:

For the two hotels in Stockport currently or previously used by the Home Office to accommodate asylum seekers/migrants (under contracts with providers such as Serco, Mears, or similar), covering the period from January 2021 to the date of this request (or from the earliest date such use began at these sites, if later):

- 1. The total number of police attendances, callouts, or incidents logged (via 999, 101, non-emergency reports, or other means) to these two sites combined. Please provide a yearly breakdown if readily available.*
- 2. Of those attendances/incidents, the total number that resulted in one or more arrests of residents from these sites. Provide a yearly breakdown if possible.*
- 3. An aggregated breakdown of recorded crimes or alleged/suspected offences where the suspect/offender was a resident of these two accommodation sites. Include counts by main crime categories (e.g., violence against the person, sexual offences, public order, criminal damage/arson, theft, drugs, possession of weapons, robbery, etc.). Aggregated figures only across the two sites, with yearly totals where feasible.*

If per-site breakdowns are held and can be provided without exceeding the Section 12 cost limit or engaging exemptions, please include them (as other police forces have done for similar single-site requests). Otherwise, aggregated data across the two Stockport sites is sufficient.

Please provide the most up-to-date figures available. If any part of the request exceeds the cost limit, is not held, or is exempt, please specify which parts and the reasons, and advise on any refinements that could allow partial disclosure

The Britannia Hotel, 91 Dialstone Lane, Stockport. SK2 6AG

And

Bredbury Hall Hotel and Country club, Osborne Street, Bredbury, Stockport. SK6 2DH

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by GMP.

However, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. Suspect/offender address is not a searchable field on our crime recording system. To provide the data requested in question 3 would involve a manual search of all crimes recorded in Greater Manchester since 2021 to establish whether the suspect/offender's home address was one of these hotels.

Therefore, to comply with the whole of your request the process would clearly take over 18 hours' work which exceeds the appropriate limit of £450.00, the amount to which we are legally required to respond.

As per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is therefore above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. If one part of the request engages a Section 12 response, the whole request will engage a Section 12 response. The reason being is locating, retrieving and extracting any further information would only add to the already exceeded time obligations and so no other searches have been completed at this stage.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information that you are requesting will need to be reduced to a greatly reduced time period. The resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk.