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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016691/C

I write in connection with your request for information dated 10/04/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I would like to request the following data relating to crime in the OL15 postcode area:

- 1. The total number of recorded crimes in Rochdale, broken down by month, for the past 2 years.*
- 2. A breakdown of these crimes by category (e.g. violent crime, burglary, theft, vehicle crime, anti-social behaviour, etc.).*
- 3. If available, the detection/clear-up rates for these crimes over the same period.*
- 4. The number of reported incidents of anti-social behaviour in Rochdale over the past 2 years.*

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.

Caveats:

In July 2019, GMP implemented one of the largest IT infrastructure changes in UK policing. The systems are in continual development and the data provided for this request is what the systems currently hold.

This data contains crimes with a postcode of 'OL15', with a created date between 01/04/2024 and 31/03/2026, excluding cancelled crimes and crimes classified as fraud. Further information about cancelled crimes can be obtained from the Home Office Counting Rules. Details regarding fraud crime can be obtained by contacting the NFIB.

We are aware of various system issues affecting **committed at locations for new and migrated crimes** (see below for details). These issues mean that data for a specific location may include crimes that did not happen in that location and/or exclude crimes that did.

- Some crimes do not have an address because e.g. the address has been recorded in a non-standard format or as map coordinates.

This data contains (ASB) incidents with an incident closure code of; ('D08','D12','D13','D17','D50','D52','D70','D71','D80','D90','D91','D92','D93' or 'D95') and with a postcode of 'OL15', with a created date between 01/04/2024 and 31/03/2026, excluding incidents with a closing code of L10 Duplicate, L19 Error or L22 Test or training.

Due to the low numbers returned per month the totals of each crime have been merged to years as by providing all this information split by month 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 merging this data, it can be provided in its entirety.

Due to low numbers being returned, some of the totals have been replaced with X, as by providing all this information 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 this data in this way, it can be provided.

Crime Tree Level 4	2024 from April	2025	2026 to March
All other theft offences	42	75	14
Bicycle theft	X	X	X
Business and community burglary	15	19	X
Criminal damage and arson offences	62	106	17
Miscellaneous crimes against society	30	33	8
Other sexual offences	21	26	6
Possession of drugs	12	31	X
Possession of weapon offences	X	13	X
Public order offences	66	84	14
Rape	12	15	X
Residential burglary	49	51	12
Robbery of business property	X	X	0
Robbery of personal property	X	0	0
Shoplifting	31	36	X
Stalking and harassment	122	167	46
Theft from the person	X	X	X
Trafficking of drugs	12	10	X
Vehicle offences	49	71	14
Violence with injury	59	82	16
Violence without injury	92	110	46

Month-Year	ASB Count
Apr-24	13

May-24	22
Jun-24	18
Jul-24	18
Aug-24	14
Sep-24	13
Oct-24	25
Nov-24	19
Dec-24	13
Jan-25	12
Feb-25	23
Mar-25	13
Apr-25	9
May-25	16
Jun-25	17
Jul-25	30
Aug-25	19
Sep-25	7
Oct-25	13
Nov-25	6
Dec-25	8
Jan-26	17
Feb-26	14
Mar-26	14
Total	373