

Date: 12th May 2026
Our ref: FOI/26/016861/C

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/016861/C

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11/05/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

This request is about the damage by fire that took place to the wooden transgender memorial in Sackville Gardens on 29th August 2022 - for clarity please see link.

<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.manchestereveningnews.co.uk%2Fnews%2Fgreater-manchester-news%2Fsadness-uks-first-national-trans-24883936&data=05%7C02%7Cfreedomofinformation%40gmp.police.uk%7Cfb993e69cb6f4f27c98a08deae8b8d4e%7Cdc8a542c40d46ab8f73e6023f45c7c5%7C0%7C0%7C639140111563952590%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiwlLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMtIklkF0ljoitWFpbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=pxNNZ%2F2DSKtqsYw3xOa74Tjx0KmWS6cKhVoL6LrLr3l%3D&reserved=0>

Q1 - Please can you advise if this damage was reported to Greater Manchester Police as a possible act of vandalism / criminal damage / arson?

Q2 - If so, please can you release to me whatever information you hold on said damage to the memorial.

As I understand that there have been previous acts of vandalism to the memorial which I cannot find clear dates for, any other information concerning these would be appreciated.

While the date of the fire given in the link is 29th August, other sources suggest that the fire happened on 28th August.

If you can check both dates to be on the safe side, that would be appreciated.

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information.

Question 1

I can confirm that no records relevant to this request were returned.

Question 2

N/A.