GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE

Tuesday, 29 September 2026
Our ref: 01/FOI/26/017670/B

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017670/B

I write in connection with your request for information dated 16/09/2026, I note you seek access to the following information:

1. A list of ICT, digital, network, telephony or business-systems projects and programmes that are planned, approved or in progress for the financial years 2026/27 and 2027/28. For each, please give the project name, a one-line description, the approved or estimated budget, the planned start and end dates and the job title of the officer responsible for delivering it.

2. Where a project in that list will be delivered with the help of an external supplier or contractor, the name of that supplier if one has already been appointed.

If a published document already contains this information (for example a capital programme, an ICT or digital strategy or a forward plan), a link to it and the page reference is a complete answer and I would be grateful for it.

If the request would exceed the appropriate cost limit, please answer part 1 alone or tell me how to narrow it so that it can be answered within the limit.

Result of Searches

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

However, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. We do not hold a compiled list of IT projects. Consequently, retrieving the details for each project will require a manual review of all relevant records. There are in excess of 96 IT projects to be delivered in 26/27 and a further number or project to be defined in 27/28. As

such detailing the project as per the request with the required information will take longer than 18 hours.

Therefore, as per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is 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.

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 must be greatly narrowing down or focus on specific function/unit within GMP. 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.