Date: 20/10/2026
Our ref: 01/FOI/26/017835/E

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017835/E

I write in connection with your request for information dated 12/10/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Please can you let me know what proportion of the hate crimes for 2025/26 recorded against those perceived to be Muslim, are crimes against non-Muslims, or indeed those of no recorded faith?

Result of Searches
Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

However, GMP does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

GMP would be unable to provide the number of recorded hate crimes originally perceived to be against Muslims, which later transpired to be against Non-Muslim or any other faith without carrying out a review manually of every hate crimes as this detailed information would have to be obtained from the investigation files. All GMP hate crimes are published via the GMP website which details thousands of records that would need to be examined which cannot be achieved in under 18hrs.

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 attempt to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with a heavily reduced

time frame. With any request that requires a manual review there is always a chance of a request being refused under S12 due to the enormity of work that is usually needed to provide the data, therefore 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.

Please see Link below to the Hate Crime Stats published.
Hate crime performance data | Greater Manchester Police