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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017863/I

I write in connection with your request for information dated 14/10/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following:

The number of hate crime scrutiny panels operating in your force area at any point since 1 January 2018. Please include panels run by your force, your Police and Crime Commissioner, the CPS, or jointly.
For each panel, who runs and chairs it.
The organisations and groups that have been members of, or have advised, each panel.
The current terms of reference for each panel.

If any panel is run by another body and you do not hold the details, please say which body runs it.

If this request exceeds the cost limit, please advise how it could be narrowed, in line with your duty under section 16.

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 some of the information requested is held by GMP.

There are currently no GMP-led Hate Crime Scrutiny Panels. Consequently, GMP does not hold any information in relation to the operation, membership, governance or outputs of such panels.

However, GMP participates in a hate crime scrutiny panel led by the Crown Prosecution Service. As GMP does not lead or administer this panel, any further information relating to its operation, membership, or activities should be sought directly from the CPS.

Freedom of Information requests to the CPS can be submitted via the following link:

https://www.cps.gov.uk/publication/freedom-information