

Date: 18th August 2026
Our ref: FOI/26/017430/N

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/26/017430/N

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11/08/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

There is a video circulating on X

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that claims to show a [REDACTED] trainee police officer called [REDACTED] being arrested for an alleged rape. The individual identified as [REDACTED] repeatedly states "no understand"

Under the terms of the freedom of information act I would be grateful if you could confirm that ALL trainee police officers and, indeed, ALL serving police officers have a good understanding of the English language both written & spoken.

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.

On application all Student Officers are required to have GCSE English at level 4/C. The selection process tests both written and spoken English during the College of Policing online assessment and final interview.

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