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SUMMERTIME BLUES

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Operation Gri Gri

Agencies from across the North West came together in June for a national training exercise aimed at testing joint preparedness for a major incident.

Participants from GMP, Counter Terrorism Policing (CTP), North West Ambulance Service (NWAS), and Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service (GMFRS) joined colleagues from the military and other public agencies to take part in the three-day exercise.

The event was kick-started on Tuesday 24 June with a simulated 'incident' which took place at the GMFRS Training and Safety Centre in Bury, prompting an emergency response from the blue light services.

The live-play scenario unfolded over the following days, testing specialist resources including counter-terrorism

specialist firearms officers, hazardous area response teams (HART) and officers trained in chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) response. Developments within the scenario saw participants deployed in Bury, Manchester, Blackpool and London, before the exercise was successfully concluded on Thursday 26 June.

Planning for the event was coordinated by CTP's national Operational Development Unit. The scenario was meticulously developed by all agencies involved over the course of several months to ensure a comprehensive sequence of events which would robustly test a large-scale operational response.

Assistant Chief Constable Rob Potts, who took on the role of exercise director, said: "This exercise was the culmination

of months of planning and preparation. It was one of the largest multi-agency exercises undertaken by the emergency services in this country in recent years, and I'm pleased to say that it was a success.

"I want to say thank you to all those who took part, particularly the planning teams who have been preparing the exercise for several months. It has given us a positive opportunity to rigorously test our response model and the processes we have in place, and now we have a further opportunity to consider how we can strengthen that model.

"Although we hope that scenarios such as these will never happen, it is incredibly important that we are as prepared as we possibly can be so that we can respond effectively, as the public would rightly expect."



For the record: inside the launch of GMP's new records management system

The phrase 'records management system', or its acronym 'RMS', may have been entirely unfamiliar to you until very recently; even though you probably use our current RMS, PoliceWorks, every day.

Records management is a key component of policing in GMP, whether you're updating a crime or charging someone in the custody office. Replacing an entire RMS across a large, dynamic city police force is a huge undertaking.

As we roll out its replacement, we're making sure we learn lessons from the implementation of PoliceWorks – and that

includes training. We're committed to getting it right for the new RMS, which is why we recently produced a training needs analysis (TNA) survey.

The survey is helping us to plan the training for the new system. It tells us which areas people need training in for their specific role and guides us on how we can ensure it's accessible for everyone.

Thank you to over 3,000 colleagues who completed the survey. We'll provide much more information on training in the future.

Changes to City of Manchester district boundaries

On Wednesday 16 July 2025, the existing boundaries for the City of Manchester (CoM) North, Central and South districts changed.

This change involves the movement of 15 beat areas from within the North, Central and South construct: 14 beats are moving from CoM North to Central; while one beat is moving from South to Central.

The purpose of this change is to build confidence and trust among partners by aligning GMP boundaries with council boundaries and improve the services delivered to local communities.



The table below lists the changes that will be implemented from Wednesday 16 July.

The City of Manchester will continue to operate with three district areas – North, Central and South – and there will be no changes to the configuration of each individual beat at street level.

Chief Superintendent for the City of Manchester David Meeney said: “The implementation of these changes enables us to facilitate closer alignment of the CoM’s districts with our partners and Manchester City Council. The change will create a more equitable split of demand across the CoM to support deploying resources more effectively.”

Beat	Current District Alignment	Code / District - Current	Proposed District Alignment	Beat / District - Proposed
A1R1 - Higher Belle Vue	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1R4 - Gorton Central 1	A1	NORTH LPT C	A2	Central LPT new
A1R6 - Abbey Hey West	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1R7 - Abbey Hey East	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1R2 - Lower Belle Vue	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1R3 - The Royals	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1R5 - Gorton Central 2	A1	NORTH LPT C	A2	Central LPT new
A1S3 - Gorton South	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1S4 - Ryderbrow	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1S5 - Lower Debdale	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1S6 - Higher Debdale	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1S2 - Crowcroft Park	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A1S1 - Levenshulme North	A1	NORTH LPT D	A2	Central LPT new
A3I3 - Levenshulme East	A3	SOUTH LPT C	A2	Central LPT new
A1N1 - Ancoats North	A1	NORTH LPT C	A2	Central LPT new

New evidential property management policy and procedures

GMP is committed to dealing professionally with the management of evidence, to safeguard its integrity in support of the prevention, reduction, and detection of crime, keeping people safe, and caring for victims.

We consider it a key responsibility to provide an effective evidential management handling system which ensures evidence is secured appropriately, correctly identified and movement tracked, while treating religious and cultural items with appropriate sensitivity and accountability. A June 2025 BBC investigation found that across England and Wales, more than 8,000 criminal prosecutions collapsed in 2024 as a direct result of key evidence being lost, damaged or going missing; and that this number is increasing year-on-year, with a corresponding impact on victims’ wellbeing and public trust in the police.

A new suite of policy and procedures has been designed to replace the existing Management of Property Directory. Specific procedures across a variety of subject areas have been created, with further subject-specific procedures currently being devised, to support and underpin the overarching evidential property management policy.

Until a procedure for a particular subject area is developed and implemented, the relevant section of the Management of Property Directory will remain in effect. Once a procedure is compiled and approved as part of the new suite, the corresponding section of the directory will be removed.

ACO Ian Cosh OBE said: “The new suite of procedures will provide additional clarity and strengthen how we manage evidential property, enabling us to deliver effective and

procedurally safe handling of evidential materials. The safe, secure and correct handling of property and evidence is a fundamental element of maintaining public trust and confidence in policing. I would recommend all officers and staff who hold any responsibility for collecting, handling or storing evidence familiarise themselves with the new documents as soon as possible.”

As the Brief went to print, the following new documents had been published:

- Evidential property management policy
- Evidential management of firearms, explosives and ammunition procedure (replacing section 17 of the Management of Property Directory)
- Evidential management of controlled drugs procedure (replacing section 18 of the Management of Property Directory)
- Evidential property retention procedure (replacing section 13 of the Management of Property Directory)
- Evidential management of vehicle recovery policy and procedure (replacing section 19 from the Management of Property Directory and the Vehicle Recovery Policy and Procedure July 2019)

All of these documents can be accessed on the intranet at Home > Policy & guidance > Force policy > Information management > Evidential property.

The Forensic Services intranet page, which you can find at Home > Branches > Forensic Services, details how different types of exhibits should be processed, packaged and stored in order to maintain the best possible quality of evidence.

Volunteer cadets go undercover

GMP's volunteer police cadets (VPCs) have been working with our dedicated knife crime team Operation Venture, Operation Vulcan supported by Trading Standards, and neighbourhood policing teams across Greater Manchester, conducting test purchases at independent hardware shops and supermarkets to determine whether they could obtain knives illegally.

This activity has been heightened following the Sceptre national week of intensification for knife crime, which ran from 19 to 25 May 2025 with a particular focus on knife-enabled robbery. Test purchasing is vital in ensuring the shops are playing their part to reduce and prevent knife crime across Greater Manchester. It is against the law to sell to anyone who is under the age of 18, but businesses should also never sell if they have concerns about how the buyer may use the item.

Areas such as Oldham, Bolton, Stockport, Salford, Trafford, Bury and Rochdale were targeted using

intelligence from the community; unfortunately, some premises are still selling knives to children. Our VPCs enter the stores covertly, shadowed by officers. In cases where knives were sold to test purchasers, the premises were visited afterwards by GMP officers and Trading Standards to follow up, educate and issue information and key tactics on how to improve their obligations of checking and challenging and in some cases prosecution.

Retailers which sell knives to undercover purchasers will be required to undergo education sessions to help them identify signs of child criminal exploitation (CCE) and understand the impact selling knives to young people has on our communities. The training is also set up to strengthen ties between retailers and police, with the view of increasing reporting, enabling officers to gain intelligence and take preventive action. This kind of activity is vital in our attempts to bring more of the community on board and the shops to play their part in preventing knife crime.

VPC strategic and development lead Sgt Darren Hall said: "Enforcement can't tackle knife crime alone. This kind of operation isn't to catch shops out, but to remind them of their obligations to check and challenge young people who may want to purchase a knife that could be used in a violent way.

"Our ongoing work with GMP's Violence Reduction Unit, divisional neighbourhood teams and Trading Standards is another tactic assisting us in making it harder for people to get knives onto the streets for as little as a couple of pounds over the counter. Volunteer police cadets are a key part in our attempts to be proactive and do something about knife crime."

Greater Manchester's volunteer police cadets will continue to work with officers from GMP in the fight against knife crime and hopefully make the streets a safer place. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer police cadet leader and supporting initiatives such as this, please email VolunteerPoliceCadets@gmp.police.uk.



2025 Tilley Awards shortlist

Operation Affect, the Rochdale district's 'clear, hold, build' initiative, has made it into the top nine in the 2025 Tilley Awards shortlist.

Op Affect is a three-phase programme designed to eradicate gang activity in the area, led by Insp Meena Yasin from Rochdale district and her neighbourhood policing team. To date, the operation has resulted in 50 arrests, 11 warrants executed, the largest closure order in GMP's history and the second largest in the country. It has reduced the area's Management of Risk in Law Enforcement (Morile) score – an official way of looking at risk and giving it a harm score – from 264 to 11, and has been featured on the BBC's One Show.

The Tilley Awards, administered by the National Problem-Solving Conference, are presented every year to problem-

solving projects which have achieved measurable success within policing.

The organisers commented: "There were 72 applications this year, all of a very good standard. The top nine projects will now be sent on to our final panel of judges to score them; the top five will then be invited to present at the National Problem-Solving Conference, where the 2025 overall winner will be decided."

Meena said: "I'm delighted to see Op Affect getting the recognition it deserves by making the Tilley Awards shortlist – it's an amazing accolade for Rochdale and for GMP. We're up against some tough competition but I'm keeping everything crossed that we can go all the way and win!"



Help build a free Little Library in Tameside



GMP investigative support officer Sam Kingham-Quinton is trying to raise £2,500 to get a free Little Library (book exchange) in her local community.

You can make a donation at <https://gofund.me/3f009159>, or by scanning the QR code on this page.

Sam says: "Our nearest libraries were closed several years ago and have been

replaced by smaller library facilities in town halls. People don't always have the time, transport, ability or money to access books in these locations, and a free library would bring books to people's doorsteps giving everyone in the community cost-free access, 24/7.

"The vision is simple: build a Little Library book exchange where anyone in the community can take a book or leave a book. It will be a welcoming space, a place for people in the community, for people of all ages to discover (or rediscover) their love of reading, and all completely free. A place where children can discover their next favourite story, adults can swap novels or cookbooks, and people can connect through the simple joy of reading and sharing books. I believe that books can bring people together and a free Little Library would be a long-lasting addition to the community.

"Even a small donation goes a long way and if you can't give right now,

sharing this campaign with your friends, colleagues and neighbours would mean the world. Every donation helps move closer to making this idea a reality."

A free book exchange is more than just a box of books; it's a way to:

- Encourage reading for all, promoting literacy and lifelong learning
- Make books more accessible to everyone
- Encourage children to read at home
- Build a sense of community through sharing and reduce isolation
- Bring community together, creating connections, community ownership and pride
- Create a gathering spot for connection and conversation
- Promote sharing, learning and kindness
- Give gently-used books a second life and support sustainability through sharing and reusing books
- Add shared community assets to a local area

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Summer at GMP

Bury

There have been increased patrols around Bury town centre alongside Bury Council's anti-social behaviour team, keeping Bury a safe place by tackling issues head-on and providing visible reassurance to our community.

Bolton

Neighbourhood teams in Farnworth, Hulton and Rumworth stopped a total of more than 90 vehicles for a variety of traffic offences including speeding, mobile phone use and driving without wearing a seatbelt.

City of Manchester

A day of action in Piccadilly Gardens resulted in eight arrests for offences including immigration, public order, robbery, and breach of Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO).

Oldham

In the first two weeks of the Safe4Summer initiative, the town centre neighbourhood team made over 20 arrests, over 25 stop and searches, and issued numerous community protection warnings and notices.

Rochdale

A traffic operation in Rochdale saw officers issue a total of 70 traffic offence reports for a range of offences, including non-compliant number plates, unsecured loads, and speeding.

Salford

Neighbourhood officers were out on patrol around Salford precinct speaking to communities as part of our Safe4Summer initiative. PC Soraya Holloway and PCSO Mark Gerrard were interviewed by ITV Granada Reports for a local news piece about the opening of Salford Youth Zone, a new resource for young people.

Stockport

Neighbourhood officers, alongside partners including Transport for Greater Manchester, have been patrolling Stockport town centre to provide community reassurance.

Tameside

Officers from the neighbourhood team recently assisted colleagues from Tameside Council's Trading Standards by conducting visits to local shops.

Trafford

Trafford neighbourhood officers and traffic officers worked together to conduct a speeding operation on a key route between Salford and Trafford.

Wigan and Leigh

Officers conducted a patrol in Hindley due to an increase in reports of anti-social behaviour, while another patrol was conducted in Leigh town centre to ensure that the Public Space Protection Order in place in the area was observed.

Standing on the shoulder of giants

July saw the triumphant homecoming of Manchester band Oasis, who played five concerts at Heaton Park. GMP worked closely with the event organisers and local partners to ensure the areas in and around Heaton Park were safely managed, with minimal disruption for the public, and the five events passed without any major incidents or trouble. In total, more than 300,000 fans flocked to Heaton Park to witness the band's return.

ACC Matt Boyle, lead police commander for the Oasis events, said: "We've now seen all five Oasis events pass without any major issues and I'm pleased that the overwhelming majority of people attending have enjoyed themselves and behaved sensibly and responsibly."



In June, GMP and its local partners launched the Safer Streets Summer initiative, known locally as Safe4Summer, aimed at reducing crime across town centres and communities throughout the city-region.

Throughout summer 2025, GMP will work together with its partners to heighten visibility and tackle crime in 'hotspot' areas alongside blue light, local authority and community partners. During July, each of GMP's districts has taken part in targeted activities in key hotspots, including increased patrols, community engagement and traffic operations.



Success for GMP teams in police mountain race

The Snowdonia Seven Eryri, described by its organisers as 'the most enjoyable (and challenging) event in the police sporting calendar', has been held annually since 1974 with the motto 'Fitness, teamwork and endurance'.

To complete the challenge, teams of four must travel 22 miles over seven peaks; with a total ascent of almost 8,000 feet; in under 10 hours; carrying a specific set of safety gear. All four members must finish together to be considered to have completed the race.

Some last-minute lineup changes saw PC Cherrisse Walley take a big step up into the A team with veterans Rob Parker (retired), PC Andy Harris and team captain DI Dan Appleby. This was Dan's 18th year of competing in the event, having run in the A team every year since 2006 (barring 2020 and 2021, when the race was cancelled by the COVID-19 pandemic).

An immense effort by the team saw them finish in third place in six hours and 17 minutes, holding off two chasing teams along the mast 1.5-mile road section. Well done in particular to Cherrisse, who now holds the honour of the fastest finishing time for a female GMP runner!

The B team also had a successful day out. Led by experienced team captain Insp Steve Quinn and supported by the always determined Ch Insp Cheryl Hughes, the team also included two first-timers, Sgt Jim Wilson and PC Max Syddall. In a great team performance, Steve, Cheryl, Max and Jim finished in seven hours 17 minutes, a time which many of the 50 teams would be delighted with.

Special mention goes to Matt Oldham, who was due to compete in the event but due to teammate injuries and drop-outs was put on the reserve list. Matt still drove down to Snowdon and ran the event, accompanying the B team all the way round and even receiving a medal and event T-shirt from Chief Constable of North Wales Police Amanda Blakeman.

The event couldn't take place without the many volunteers and marshals who selflessly climb up the same mountains to ensure all competitors are accounted for and brought down safely when injured. GMP are fortunate to have the generosity of Katrina Hughes (retired) and PC Frances Harwood, who both gave up their time to marshal at two checkpoints, getting very cold and wet in the process. We are always looking for more support like this.

Snowdonia Seven Eryri 2026

The date of next year's event date has yet to be confirmed, but it is expected to take place early in July 2026. Anyone who would like to take part should have:

- Experience of mountain walking/running – you don't have to be Killian Jornet, but you have to be able to cover the full 22 miles in under ten hours with two cutoff points to meet along the route. Fast tabbing pace is a minimum.
- Ability to navigate with either GPS system or map – as seen this year, seen the top teams can get lost. Practising the second half of the route before the event is a must; there will be opportunities to do so with experienced team members between March and October.
- Team spirit – this is not an individual event. You must be prepared to support and run at the pace of your slowest

team member, in order to keep together and finish as a team. Patience, empathy and positivity are key components of a successful team.

If you'd like more information on any aspect of the Snowdonia Seven Eryri, including how to marshal, please contact team manager DI Dan Appleby at daniel.appleby@gmp.police.uk.



GMP staff walk Three Peaks for charity

Two GMP staff members have taken part in a fundraising walk which raised more than £6,000 for a children's hospice.

Media officers Paul Harrison and Henry Woodsford took on the Cheshire Three Peaks in aid of Francis House in memory of Paul's daughter Alex, who died last year aged 13 from brain cancer. Alex was diagnosed with a stage 4 medulloblastoma when she was just six in May 2018 and underwent four brain operations to remove tumours and several gruelling rounds of radiotherapy and chemotherapy.

Paul and wife Kathryn were joined by around 35 family and friends, and a large contingent from Heaton Moor Rugby Club, at the walk on Sunday 22 June, which would have been Alex's 14th birthday. The five-hour, 22-kilometre walk took in the Cheshire Peaks of Shutlingsloe, Shining Tor and Tegg's Nose.

The group raised £6,000 between them. Since Alex was diagnosed seven years ago, around £30,000 – not including Gift Aid – has been raised in her name for various cancer and children's charities. Brain tumours kill more children and adults under the age of 40 than any other cancer, yet just 1% of the national spend on cancer research has been allocated to this devastating disease since records began in 2002.

Paul said: "We would like to thank everyone who joined us on the walk or donated in a fitting way to celebrate Alex's birthday. She wasn't a huge fan of walking up hills but she loved cake, and we had a birthday picnic at the end, which

she would have loved.

"Alex was a kind and generous person who raised more than £800 for Brain Tumour Research by organising a cake sale at school just a few weeks before she died. She was a bright, fun-loving child who adored her friends and family, loved animals and was an incredibly talented artist who found comfort in drawing and painting.

"The awful disease took a lot away from her but never her spirit or love and affection for those closest to her. We are grateful to so many people and charities who helped us while Alex was unwell, from cooking us meals to sending us on holiday. We are incredibly proud of the huge amount of money people have raised in Alex's name, including bike rides, marathons and skydives."

Francis House in Didsbury supports approximately 2,000 people at any one time with respite care, homecare, sibling support, end-of-life care, and emotional and bereavement support, and costs £5m a year to stay open.

The fundraising at the weekend takes the amount raised for Francis House in Alex's memory to over £9,000 in the past year. Paul commented: "Francis House is a fitting charity as they cared for Alex at home while she was dying, coming to our house almost every day to make sure she was comfortable and pain-free. They also helped us as a family after Alex's death and we are still accessing their services, and we will always be grateful for that."



HMIC report highlights innovative practices in child protection

On Thursday 3 July 2025, His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) published its final report into GMP's evolving approach to investigating allegations of child criminal (CCE) and sexual exploitation (CSE).

The inspectors found that 'GMP has made significant improvements in how it investigates child sexual exploitation' and concluded that 'Greater Manchester's complex safeguarding peer review programme contributes positively to reduce the risk of child exploitation.'

The report highlighted four key areas where GMP demonstrates innovative practice in child protection and safeguarding:

Operation Green Jacket's clear victim-led approach

Many of the approaches taken by Op Green Jacket, a wide-ranging series of investigations led by GMP's child sexual exploitation major incident team (MIT) into non-recent child sexual abuse, are now signposted as national best practice.

The operation's commitment to a victim-led approach garnered praise from the HMIC inspectors, who cited examples of effective practice including:

- Clear terms of reference and effective governance.
- A comprehensive, multi-agency strategy to mitigate and manage suspect risk.
- A well-resourced multi-agency team, including specialists such as social workers, mental health case workers and independent sexual violence advisors (ISVAs).

The peer review process helping to reduce the risk of child exploitation

The complex safeguarding programme peer review process, which combines intra-organisational audits and reflective multi-agency analysis, is a unique collaborative quality assurance process aimed at reducing the risk of and harm caused by CCE and CSE.

The programme operates alongside the other systems, processes and activities put in place by local safeguarding partnerships to address child exploitation. It supports the stated responsibility of local agencies and partners to ensure that the multi-agency child protection arrangements in place are subject to effective independent scrutiny.

Victim care packs improving support for victims and survivors

HMIC inspectors were 'particularly impressed' with GMP's use of victim care packs, which contain key documents including:

- A bespoke, targeted strategy based on a victim needs assessment.
- A written agreement between the investigation officer and victim.
- A questionnaire which enables the victim to provide information about previous schooling, residential accommodation and involvement with partner agencies.
- A 'scorecard' assessing the risk to victims and witnesses of intimidation.

- Where appropriate, a letter from the senior investigating officer apologising for previous failures by the force, outlining the reinvestigation process and listing agencies which may be able to provide support if the victim needs it.

Child sexual exploitation investigated as serious and organised crime where appropriate

In recent years, a cultural shift at GMP has come to mean that investigating child sexual exploitation is now considered 'everyone's business' – including serious and organised crime (SOC) teams, with groups of CSE perpetrators now treated as organised crime groups. The head of the SOC investigation team is able to deploy resources to assist district and other teams in CSE cases.

Chief Constable Sir Stephen Watson commented: "I am pleased that the HMICFRS report recognises the significant improvements that have been wrought within GMP and in conjunction with other key safeguarding partners. The report speaks to systems which are well-led, well-governed, well-resourced, victim-focused and effective.

"Those who are specially charged with this most important responsibility, within Greater Manchester Police and across our multi-agency collaboration, are professional, knowledgeable, dedicated and determined. I am particularly pleased that their unstinting efforts have been so positively reflected in these reports."

"GMP remains focused on listening to survivors and advancing our effective practice still further. We owe it both to those abused in the past and to our children today to sustain this most pressing of priorities, and I give my commitment to do just that."



Wellbeing at Greater Manchester Police

You can get in touch with GMP's wellbeing volunteer coordinator team at wellbeingvolunteercoordinators@gmp.police.uk

Police Mutual wellbeing guides

Police Mutual produce monthly guides to various aspects of physical, mental and social wellbeing, to help you to look after yourself and stay happy and healthy. Recent guides include:

- Stress awareness month
- Safer Internet Day guide
- World Cancer Day
- Loneliness Awareness Week
- Carers Week
- World Autism Awareness Day
- Talking to your child about money
- Healthy Eating Week
- Dementia Action Week
- National Walking Month

You can find all of these and more at <https://www.policemutual.co.uk/wellbeing>.

Police Mutual also produce monthly guides on key financial topics, covering everything from savings and investments to mortgages and debt. The 'Let's talk money' guides for 2025 include:

- Gambling
- Borrowing guide
- Probate
- Elderly care
- Addictions
- Understanding your payslip

You can find all these guides, as well as advice about a wide range of financial matters and concerns, at <https://www.policemutual.co.uk/talk-money/>.

Oscar Kilo: new mental health crisis line for police officers and staff

We know that daily life is tough – and on top of that, working in policing can expose you to traumatic situations that have an impact on your mental health. A new, independent 24/7/365 mental health crisis phonenumber is now available for anyone working in policing across England and Wales, who is

experiencing a mental health crisis or suicidal thoughts.

You can call the crisis line at any time on 0300 131 2789.

Launched by Oscar Kilo, the National Police Wellbeing Service, the mental health crisis line is a core part of the service's suicide prevention work.

Callers can talk to a qualified counsellor with experience of helping blue light workers in crisis situations. Call handlers will signpost staff and officers to more support based on individual needs, such as counselling, therapy or other support services. It is important to seek help when you need it; you are not alone. The service is completely independent and none of the information you share will leave the call. Access to the service is entirely voluntary – you cannot call on behalf of someone else, or make a referral. The crisis line is not a long term solution or a replacement for other mental health support and interventions. You can learn more about the crisis line at <https://oscarkilo.org.uk/crisis-line>.

Maternity open day

The GMP Federation will host a maternity open day on Tuesday 30 September 2025 from 10am to 2pm at their Progress House headquarters:

Progress House

Broadstone Hall Road South

Reddish

Stockport

SK5 7DE

(Use the postcode SK5 7SS for satnav.)

Representatives for GMSS, HR policy, the Police Federation, DMS, the Association of Women in Policing, GMP maternity and family support, financial product partners and others will be there to offer information, advice and support.

Children, babies and partners are welcome!

The event offers private breastfeeding facilities, changing facilities, tea and coffee as well as a friendly welcome from the GMP Federation.



Simply complete the online form, keep your fingers crossed and you could be 1 of 6 lucky winners.

Police Mutual

Police Mutual prize draw

Police Mutual's summer prize draw is free to enter and offers the chance to win £2,000 cash or a £100 Love2Shop e-gift card. The draw closes on 30 September. You can enter at <https://www.policemutual.co.uk/q3win/>.

Full terms and conditions are available at <https://policemutual.co.uk/q3winterms>.

Free Police Mutual prize draw ends 30 September 2025.

Terms and conditions apply visit: policemutual.co.uk/q3winterms
You must be a UK resident, eligible for Police Mutual products and over the age of 18. No purchase necessary. One entry per person. The prize draw will take place on 1 October 2025. Prizes will be delivered within 48 days of the draw.



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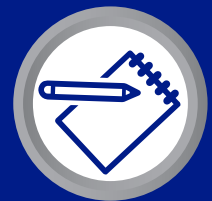
Let us know before you go!

TELL US YOU'RE HERE:

Book on and off shift to keep yourself and your colleagues **safe!**

HAVE YOU GOT THE RIGHT GEAR?

Do you have all the tools you need to keep you, your colleagues and the public safe?



LET US KNOW BEFORE YOU GO:

Book off via DMS and ControlWorks – failure to do so will put your fellow officers in danger!

ARE YOU RADIO READY FOR YOUR SHIFT?



CHECK | CORRECT | CHARGED

Check your radio for faults.

Make sure you have the **correct** radio, and it is assigned to Controlworks with the correct ISSI number.

Make sure it is **charged**.

Report radio faults immediately to your district radio custodian.