

Reference: 774796

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Dear James Stevens

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Your request for information was received by us on 28 May 2020, regarding

*Please could you provide me with the following information about crews of appliances.
Number of crew per station (e.g. 9 Station X - 9 Firefighters, 2 Crew Managers, 1
Watch Manager)*

Station Crewing Type (e.g. Retained, Wholetime etc)

What, if any vehicles are cross crewed with another appliance.

*Normal crew levels before a vehicle dispatches (e.g. 5 crew on a pump, 1 on an ALP, 2
on a WRC, etc)*

GMCA Response

I am pleased to provide some of the information you have requested. I have enclosed copies of the information.

I can confirm Greater Manchester Combined Authority holds this information, however it is exempt from disclosure under Section 38(1) of the Freedom of Information Act (FoIA). Disclosure of this information would be likely to endanger an individual (this could be the applicant, the supplier of the information or anyone else).

To use this exemption we are required to undertake a public interest test. The matters which were considered in applying the public interest test are as follows:

Factors in favour of disclosure

It will bring to light information affecting public safety

Factors in favour of withholding

Release may put health and safety of a group or individual at risk

Release may jeopardise the Authority's bargaining position and/or result in the less

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Release may impede other on-going or future investigations and/or facilitate the commission of a crime

It is considered that the greater public interest therefore lies in not providing the information at this time. In coming to that conclusion, the public interest in providing the information has been carefully weighed against any prejudice to the public interest that might arise from withholding the information; in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under section 17 of the FoIA.

If you have any queries or concerns then please do not hesitate to contact us, quoting your reference number: 774796

If you are not satisfied with this response you may ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Foi.officer@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

*Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF*

If you need further clarification with regards to Freedom of Information you can go to the Information Commissioners website www.ICO.org.uk

Yours sincerely,



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