



LETTER SENT BY E-MAIL ONLY

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Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Request

Please find below our response to your correspondence dated 9 November, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

I would like to make a Freedom of Information request for information contained in documents, meetings communications and discussions relating to

any references and the numbers of references given by the Scottish Police Authority

to and for the use by any Police Scotland or former Police Scotland senior officers (Superintendent and above) and the requesting person/rank who sought or was given references

to be used for seeking new roles, jobs, positions inside or outside the UK (and which jobs, positions roles and with which organisation)

and information contained in any documents meetings communications between the SPA and other organisations including those orgs seeking to confirm or discuss any such references with the SPA

from January 2023 to the date of this FOI request

Response

Your request for information has been considered and the Scottish Police Authority is able to provide the following.

The Scottish Police Authority does not hold the information you have requested.¹

No references have been given by the Scottish Police Authority, for use by any Police Scotland or former Police Scotland senior officers (Superintendent and above), from January to November 2023.

Right to Review

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request you can ask for a review within 40 working days. You must specify the reason for your dissatisfaction and submit your request by email to foi@spa.police.uk or by letter to Scottish Police Authority, 1 Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1DZ.

After review, if you remain dissatisfied, you can appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months. You can apply [online](#), by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by letter to Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Commissioner's decision, you can appeal to the Court of Session, only if you think the law has not been applied correctly.

An anonymised version of this response will be posted to our [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.

¹ This represents a notice in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Information not held.