



## 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 4 June, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Can I please have a copy of the Island Impact assessment carried out for the SPA Estates strategy with particular regard to police housing in remote and rural areas?

In addition can I have a copy of the Island Impact Assessment in relation to the soon to be implemented policy of charging occupancy fees for officers in police housing in islands?

The SPA is a statutory authority listed in the Islands (Scotland) Act 2018 as such an impact assessment should have been completed in relation to policy and actions that affect service delivery to island communities.

If no assessment has been carried out, can you reply with a reason why this has not been carried out?

#### Response

The Scottish Police Authority has considered your request and we can confirm that the Authority does not hold an Islands Impact Assessment related to [Police Scotland's Estate Strategy](#).<sup>1</sup>

By means of explanation, Police Scotland manage the police estate on behalf of the Authority. The Authority considered and approved Police Scotland's Estates Strategy in 2019. The Islands (Scotland) Act is listed

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

as a key driver of the Strategy (see page 32 and Appendix B: Documents Reviewed).

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at [foi@scotland.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk)

### **Right to Review**

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome, you can ask us to review our response. If you want us to carry out a review, please let us know within 40 working days. You must specify the reason for your dissatisfaction and submit your request to [foi@spa.police.uk](mailto:foi@spa.police.uk) or by letter to Scottish Police Authority, 1 Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1DZ.

If you remain dissatisfied after review, you can appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months. You can apply [online](#), by email to [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto: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.

This response will be posted to our [Disclosure Log](#) after seven days.

Yours faithfully

**SPA Corporate Management**