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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

REQUEST DETAILS

Please find below our response to your correspondence dated 18 August 2022 in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

Please tell me:

- Whether Police Scotland provides financial support to officers and staff seeking to attend the psychological wellbeing and counselling programmes at the two Police Treatment Centres, in Harrogate and Auchterarder.
- How many officers and staff have been granted a) financial support (if provided) or b) leave from work to attend one of these programmes in each of the last three years
- Whether Police Scotland refers officers and staff to these programmes and, if so, how many officers and staff have a) requested or b) been referred to one of these programmes in each of the last three years
- How many officers and staff have attended one of these programmes in each of the last three years
- How many places on these programmes are available to Police Scotland officers and staff each month in a calendar year.

RESPONSE

Your request for information has been considered and the Scottish Police Authority (SPA) is able to provide the following;

The Scottish Police Authority provides governance and oversight of policing in Scotland. The Authority does not hold information on operational matters.

The Scottish Police Authority does not hold the information you have requested. Therefore this represents a notice in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Information not held.

By way of assistance, this information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at –

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/>

RIGHT TO REVIEW

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to foi@spa.police.uk or by post to Corporate Management Team, Scottish Police Authority, 1 Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1DZ.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision.

You can apply [online](#), by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Scottish Police Authority Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.