



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 8 October 2024, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

“Please provide the following recorded information:

- 1 The full cost to the public (per tax year 2017 - 2023) for the Selected medical practitioner(s)
- 2 The full cost to the public (per tax year 2017 - 2023) for the independent medical referee(s)
- 3 The full breakdown of charges for each job for each role (2017 - 2023) (initial exam, reconsideration, amendments, appeals etc)”

Response

The Scottish Police Authority has considered your request and can confirm that the Authority does not hold the information requested.¹

By way of explanation, applications for Ill-Health Retirement submitted by or on behalf of police officers, and applications for Injury on Duty Awards submitted by or on behalf of police officers/former police officers are dealt with by Police Scotland on behalf of the Authority.

We have interpreted your request referring to ‘independent medical referee(s)’ as a reference to Police Medical Appeal Boards (PMABs) which determine appeals by individuals against decisions of Selected Medical

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

Practitioners. Again, it is Police Scotland which refers appeals to PMABs for determination.

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at foi@scotland.police.uk

You may also wish to refer to [Police Scotland's Disclosure Log](#).

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.

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@foi.scot 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