

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 15 November, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

I would like to make a request for information on scam crimes in the UK in the past 3 years.

I would like to request:

- At least 3 years of phone scam crimes reported in the UK
- Ages of victims if possible or a general demographic
- Area reported (ideally postcode)
- Different types of scams specifics e.g house insurance, pensions
- Number of phone scams reported related to BT services e.g. BT landline upgrade, Digital Voice switchover etc

Response

Your request for information has been considered and the Scottish Police Authority 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 policing matters as we are not an operational policing body or police force.

The 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.

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland, as the constabulary responsible for policing across Scotland. Information on how to make a request to Police Scotland is available 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 <u>online</u>, by email to <u>enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info</u> 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 <u>Disclosure Log</u> in seven days' time.