



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 13 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

all meetings discussions communications and notes held by the Scottish Police Authority and the Crown Office - relating to the recruitment of a new Chief Constable for Police Scotland

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.

Appendix 1 is a letter to the Crown Agent, dated 31 March 2023, advising that the Authority has launched a recruitment campaign to appoint a Chief Constable to lead Police Scotland.

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.





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31 March 2023

Dear John

I am writing to advise you that the Scottish Police Authority has launched a recruitment campaign to appoint a Chief Constable to lead Police Scotland, the UK's second largest police service.

This is one of the most significant leadership roles in UK policing and is one of the most important public leadership roles in Scotland. Our police service has a long and proud history, a committed workforce and strong public support. We are looking for an outstanding and accomplished police leader to build on those solid foundations and to lead Police Scotland forward in to the next stage of its development.

This unique leadership role offers an unparalleled opportunity to make a positive difference to people's lives and to help shape Scotland's future. Further information on the role and the qualities we are seeking are contained in the [recruitment pack](#).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynn Brown".

LYNN BROWN OBE
Chief Executive