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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

REQUEST DETAILS

Please find below our response to your correspondence dated 6 April 2022 in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

I'm writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to ask that you please disclose to me whether your force uses the company DATAMINR.

I'd like to know of any contract that you hold with this company, from 2019 to present, or, if not direct contracts, whether or not you use this company / have bought it through a third party software broker.

I'd like to know, if the previous answer is yes, what events it has tracked for you, including any and all protest events, and who's tweets / which news events were targeted by it, including BLM, XR, Insulate Britain, Women's Marches, "antifa", anti-arms trade groups, trade unions, environmentalist groups, or LGBTQ+ rights campaigners.

I'd also like a copy of the contract, if relevant, and user service agreement for this work.

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.

Neither do we hold information on contracts. To explain, the Scottish Police Authority is the named Contracting Authority for all Authority and Police Scotland procurement. However, the procurement function for both is performed by Police Scotland who hold related information.

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, information may be available by contacting Police Scotland. Information on how to make an FOI request to Police Scotland is provided at – <http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/>

A link is also provided to the regulated contract register which is publicly available on [Public Contract Scotland](#).

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.