



## 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 2 March, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

I would like the organisation to provide me with the following departmental documents around ICT and corporate procurement.

Many organisations within your region have different document title names:

1. 2023/24 IT Department Documents ;- these types of documents have detailed information on the department's future plans and strategies. These documents include:

ICT Strategy/Plan, ICT Department Plan, ICT Financial Plan

2. ICT Org Chart ;- with names and job titles

3. Corporate Procurement Strategy that covers 2023/24 and more.

For all the documents I have requested, please provide me with the 2023/24 documents, I only want to only receive documents that are live and valid. If the document is a strategic plan (e.g. 2020-2025) that covers a set number of years, please provide me with the 2023 version.

I also require the full version of the documents i have requested, if any parts of the document is missing, please state this in the response

If this cannot be provided, please provide me with information on when this version will be available.

## **Response**

Your request for information has been considered and the Scottish Police Authority is able to provide the following.

In relation to points 1 and 2, 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.

To explain, ICT services are provided to the Authority by the Digital Division of Police Scotland. Therefore, the Authority does not have its own ICT Strategy, Plan or staff.

To assist, the link below provides the current version of Police Scotland's Digital, Data and ICT Strategy from 2018:-

<https://www.spa.police.uk/spa-media/gogklzcr/item-8-ddict-strategy.pdf>

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland. Information on how to make a request to Police Scotland is available at –

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

In relation to point 3, we can confirm that the Authority holds a Procurement Strategy. This is publicly available, therefore the following exemption is applicable - Section 25(1) of the Act - information otherwise accessible. The authority considers that the information is already available, therefore there is no need to provide an alternative right of access to it through FOISA.

The link below provides the current Procurement Strategy for 2021-2023

<https://www.spa.police.uk/spa-media/vctf2w3m/procurement-strategy-2022-v0-23.pdf>

## **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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

