

LETTER SENT BY EMAIL ONLY

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Request

Your request for information dated 27 February 2025 is copied below.

- "1. For the financial years since 2013, how much money has been paid into the pension scheme on a monthly basis from employee and employer contributions and how much was paid out each month to retired members.
2. For the term from 2013 and each financial year to current, how much money in total has been paid into the scheme and how much money has been paid out.
3. Furthermore, how much money has the Scottish Government had to pay into the schemes to meet any shortfall in payments.
4. Lastly, is there any plan to invest contributions to prevent the taxpayer having to cover any shortfall in future and to provide better value and stability for members."

Response

The Scottish Police Authority has considered your request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act (FOISA).

The Authority does not hold the information requested.¹

To explain, the information you requested is not held by the Authority but may be held by Police Scotland. This is because Police Scotland provides certain services to the Authority, in line with legislation. Services provided by Police Scotland include, for example, contract management, human

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

resources and IT. This arrangement includes pensions administration which is coordinated by a team in Police Scotland. Where services like this are provided to the Authority, information may be held by Police Scotland rather than the Authority.

Therefore, information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at foi@scotland.police.uk

Some information is available in the Authority's Annual Report and Accounts, available on our website.² However, this is information prepared to meet accounting standards and does not answer the questions raised.

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

Scottish Police Authority

² [Annual Report and Accounts | Scottish Police Authority](#)