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LETTER SENT BY EMAIL ONLY

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Request

Your request for information dated 5 September 2025 is copied below.

I am writing to request information under freedom of information legislation, regarding your organisation's use of artificial intelligence (AI) technology/technologies.

I would be grateful if you could provide the following detail:

1) AI Systems in use

- A list of tools, platforms or systems currently deployed or being piloted/trialled.
- The purpose and function of each of the above.
- The departments or services where these are operational.

2) Procurement and development

- Details of any contracts, tenders or partnerships with external providers for AI solutions.
- Total expenditure on AI related technologies over the past three financial years, broken down by year.

3) Governance and Ethical Oversight

- Copies of, or information relating to, any internal policies, frameworks or guidance documents relating to the use of AI.
- Any ethical review processes or risk assessments conducted prior to deployment.
- Details of any group responsible for the oversight of AI use within your organisation.

4) Impact on Workforce

 Any assessments, reports or internal communications regarding the impact of AI on staffing levels, job roles or workforce planning (including recruitment, redundancy).

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- Information on any roles that have been automated, restructured or made redundant due to AI implementation.
- Details of any training, redeployment or upskilling initiatives offered to staff in response to the adoption of AI.
- Any consultations with trade unions or staff representatives regarding AI-related changes.

5) Performance and Evaluation

- Evaluations, audits or performance reviews of AI systems, as referenced in section 1.
- Evidence of how AI systems have affected service delivery, decision-making or operational efficiency.

6) Data protection and privacy

- Types of data used to train or operate AI systems, including whether this data is synthetic or not.
- Measures in place to ensure compliance with data protection legislation, including the DPA 2018 and UK GDPR.
- Procedures for handling bias, transparency and accountability in AI decision-making.

Response

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

The Authority does not hold information.¹

By means of explanation, the Authority does not currently use any Artificial Intelligence (AI) based products or services. AI internet applications are currently blocked from employees internet searches.

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, 2 Clyde Gateway, French Street, Glasgow, G40 4EH.

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.

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

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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 <u>Disclosure Log</u> after seven days.

Yours faithfully

Scottish Police Authority