

## LETTER SENT BY EMAIL ONLY

10 June 2025

FOI Ref 2025/26-023

### Request

Your request for information dated 2 June 2025 is copied below.

Can you please provide the following information under Freedom of Information legislation.

1. Does the police authority still have in its possession forensic swabs pertaining to this case?
2. Do these swabs contain traces of semen found on the victim Jodi Jones?
3. How many swabs still remain in total?
4. What plans does the police authority have for the said swabs?

### 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.<sup>1</sup>

SPA Forensic Services do not hold forensic swabs pertaining to this case. Police Scotland are the Custodians of Productions responsible for the secure storage and management of items obtained during legal investigations, such as those related to criminal justice proceedings.

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at [foi@scotland.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk)

Police Scotland's [Productions National Guidance](#) is available on their website and includes information on the retention and disposal of productions.

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

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

