| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-2745  Responded to: 15 November 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**All correspondence (including meeting minutes) between Police Scotland (names supplied below) and NHS Tayside (senior management including board of directors) from date 1/1/18 to present day 18/10/24.**

**Lorna Ferguson also known as Detective Superintendent Ferguson**

**Nicola Shepherd also known as Detective Superintendent Shepherd**

**Suzanne Smith also known as Detective Chief Inspector and DCI Smith**

**Gavin McKinley also known as Detective Chief Inspector and DCI McKinley**

**Willie Murdoch also known as Detective Chief Inspector and DCI Murdoch**

**Paul  Radley also known as DC Radley and Detective Constable**

**Kier Smith also known as DC Smith and  Detective Constable**

**SCD Holmes**

**David Siddle also known as DC Siddle and  Detective Constable**

I appreciate that you have attempted to refine your request but I’m afraid it remains the case that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request.

I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

To explain, the information sought would be held in a variety of locations, including but not limited to the email accounts of the individuals listed, any group email accounts they access to, their own personal network drive and any shared network drive areas they have access to.

As I’m sure you will appreciate, Police Scotland holds a substantial volume of data and whilst we do have some limited search tools available to us such as the out of the box functionality of Windows Explorer and Outlook, I’m afraid the parameters of your request are assessed to be incredibly wide in scope.

Furthermore, it is not clear what the purpose of your request is, but if it is your hope that information relating to police investigations would be sourced by such a search then I would stress that even if that were the case, there are exemptions set out in the Act that would apply to any investigative, operational and/ or personal information uncovered.

If your request relates to more generic information - for example, a particular project say, between the two agencies, then that type of insight would be useful to us in terms of advising you whether or not any meaningful searches were possible.

As it stands, without any further information, we cannot conduct meaningful searches within the £600 limit set out in the Act.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.