| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 23-2475  Responded to: 17th October 2023 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## I request the full police file on the potential murder of Steven Clark that happened off of Shieldhall road in Finsbay Street in 2004

I can advise you that in terms of section 16 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, I am refusing to provide you with a copy of the documents requested.

Section 16 requires Police Scotland when refusing to provide such information because it is exempt, to provide you with a notice which:

(a) states that it holds the information,

(b) states that it is claiming an exemption,

(c) specifies the exemption in question and

(d) states, if that would not be otherwise apparent, why the exemption applies.

I can confirm that Police Scotland holds the information that you have requested and the exemptions that I consider to be applicable to the information requested by you are:**Section 34(1)(b) - Investigations**

**Section 35(1)(a)&(b) - Law enforcement**

**Section 39(1) - Health & Safety**

Whilst we appreciate that there is a significant public interest in the investigation of serious crimes, there can be no public interest in making highly sensitive files publicly available.

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.