| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-1869  Responded to: 21 August 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## We hereby make a request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 and, if applicable, the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004, for the following information relating to the A8, Newhouse Roundabout.

## All information/documentation relating to collisions on or around the roundabout in the two week prior to 18 December 2022;

## All information/documentation relating to collisions on or around the roundabout on 18 December 2022;

## All information/documentation relating to collisions on or around the roundabout in the two weeks after 18 December 2022;

The information sought is held by Police Scotland, but I am refusing to provide it in terms of section 16(1) of the Act on the basis that the section 25(1) exemption applies:

“Information which the applicant can reasonably obtain other than by requesting it […] is exempt information”.

Data from 2020 to date is available on the Police Scotland website - [Road traffic collision data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/road-traffic-collision-data/).

The Road traffic collisions can then be mapped to their specific locations using the filters on road names and also the local authority area as North Lanarkshire.

Similar data going back to the mid-1990s is available on the Department for Transport website - [Road Safety Data - data.gov.uk.](https://www.data.gov.uk/dataset/cb7ae6f0-4be6-4935-9277-47e5ce24a11f/road-safety-data)

You may however find it easier to refer to [CrashMap - UK Road Safety Map](https://www.crashmap.co.uk/) which displays Road Traffic Collisions drawn from these sources in a more user-friendly map format.

It is not clear what you intend to be covered by the scope of 'all information/ documentation' but we have assumed that this relates to the records associated with each Road Traffic Collision - which would include the full report, notes, statements etc

That information is held by Police Scotland, but I am refusing to provide it in terms of section 16(1) of the Act on the basis that the following exemptions apply:

Section 38(1)(b) - Personal data - where it is assessed that disclosure would contravene the data protection principles as defined in the Act.

Section 34(1)(b) - Investigations - information held would be held for the purpose of an investigation, and disclosure would prejudice the law enforcement functions of the force.

If you are looking for a copy of an accident report, further information including BACS details for the fee is available on our website:

[Provision of Reports - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/provision-of-reports/)

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.