| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 24-2931Responded to: 26 November 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**How many operations or incidents did Police Scotland attend with Trading Standards to deal with unlicenced money lending in Glasgow in 2023 and 2024 if any?**

**In the interest of assisting and defining what I am asking, I am trying to establish if unlicenced money lenders or loan sharks are operating in G21 and G22 areas of Glasgow.**

As previously advised, Trading Standards and not Police Scotland would be the lead agency for any such activity: [About SIMLU - Scottish Illegal Money lending Unit](https://stopillegallending.co.uk/about-simlu/)

In relation to whether or not Police Scotland have assisted Trading Standards with any incidents, I estimate 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, there is no incident classification that directly aligns to the type of activity described in your request. Any such incidents would likely be logged under the general classification of ‘Assist Other Agency’, and all would therefore have to be reviewed for potential relevance to your request.

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 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 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.