| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-0130  Responded to: xx January 2025 |
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## Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Your question is not replicated here as it refers to personal information.

My understanding of the area covered by your request is that it is a residential area with a small number of properties.

On that basis, details of any incidents and/ or crimes reported would amount to the personal data of the residents.

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

The exemptions outlined at sections 34(1)(b) and 35(1)(a)&(b) of the Act also apply on the basis that any information held would be held for the purpose of an investigation, and disclosure would prejudice the law enforcement functions of the force.

In terms of section 18 of the Act, I am therefore refusing to confirm or deny whether the information sought is held by Police Scotland as the public interest overwhelmingly lies in protecting individuals’ right to privacy and honouring their expectation of confidentiality.

You may be interested in crime data available on our website, broken down by Local Authority Multi-Member Ward area:

[Crime data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/crime-data/)

Maps of each Multi-Member Ward area showing the boundaries are also available online:

[Multi Member Ward Boundaries - https://boundaries.scot/](https://boundaries.scot/)

To be of assistance you may be entitled to related personal information e.g. where you spoke to police.

Should you wish, you can submit a subject access request - further information is available on our website:

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/data-protection/subject-access-requests>

You will have to provide identification and requests should be sent to:

[DataProtectionSubjectAccess@Scotland.police.uk](mailto:DataProtectionSubjectAccess@Scotland.police.uk)

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.