| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1403  Responded to: 29 May 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**I would like information on these two questions, surrounding the visit of King Charles III to Clackmannanshire on 16th January 2025.**

1. **How much was spent on policing the royal visit?**

£5,171.01 - Police Scotland receive funding from the Scottish Government for protective security when the King is in residence in Scotland.

**2) How many police officers were involved in policing the event?**

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 following exemptions apply:

## Section 31(1) - National Security Section 35(1)(a)&(b) Law Enforcement Section 39(1) - Health and Safety

Disclosure would prejudice substantially the prevention or detection of crime and the apprehension or prosecution of offenders, the ability of Police Scotland to keep people safe from harm and the ability to safeguard national security.

Disclosure would assist groups, organisations and those with hostile intent to identify, with some accuracy Police Scotland’s resources. This would undermine any ongoing or future operations to protect the security or infrastructure of the United Kingdom and increase the risk of harm to the public.

Disclosure would facilitate criminal activities, thereby compromising the effective delivery of operational law enforcement.

*Public Interest Test*

Public awareness would favour a disclosure as it would contribute to the public debate surrounding policing events.

That said, I would contend that the efficient/effective conduct of the service and national security favours non-disclosure as it cannot be in the public interest to release information that would prejudice law enforcement, or which is likely to have an adverse impact upon national security.

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](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@foi.scot) 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.