| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-2986  Responded to: 30 April 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Can I request any email to or from Chief Supt XXXX XXXX (Q division) from 01/11/24 until the date of search which mentions finance or cup final or chainring or cup final or double lock.

## Specifically, I am not looking for any operational information, I am looking for communication that refers to double lock and why double lock could not be used. I do not need to know police numbers or exact figures.

In response to your request please see the attached document titled FOI 25-2986 Applicant Data 01.

My interpretation of your request is that you require only emails/documents that relate specifically to the rationale of why double lock was not used.

Please note that some information has been redacted. As such, 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 30(c) Prejudice to the Effective Conduct of Public Affairs

Section 38(1)(b) Personal Data

**Section 30(c) Prejudice to the Effective Conduct of Public Affairs**

Where necessary some internal names / telephone numbers and email addresses have been redacted. To release these details publicly through FOI legislation could negatively impact on the operational effectiveness of various departments and external partner agencies. While it is acknowledged that the disclosure of this information would support transparency and better inform the public as to how the organisation conducts its business, there are already established routes for the public to make contact with the police and the disclosure of these additional details would not support the effective conduct of public affairs.

**Section 38(1)(b) Personal Data**

Any information that could lead to the identification of individuals has been redacted. This is in accordance with Section 38(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 –

Personal Information.

The relates to any names or designations that would reasonably identify any person. As such, the processing would be unfair and unlawful in respect of the individuals concerned and would therefore be in breach of the first principle of the Data Protection Act 2018.

This is an absolute exemption, which does not require a public interest test to be conducted.

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.