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**Intelligence  
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## **Intelligence Policy**

The Police Service of Scotland, (hereafter referred to as Police Scotland), recognises the importance and benefits of gathering, assessing, exploiting and managing intelligence in an effort to improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland.

Police Scotland will apply intelligence led policing as a means of maximising opportunities to detect and prevent instances of Violence, Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour, prevent harm caused by Serious and Organised Crime, protect people at Risk of Harm and protect communities from Counter Terrorism.

Police Scotland will work within the relevant safeguards, legislative requirements and provide Standard Operating Procedures to officers and staff when handling intelligence and when using intelligence systems which will be the subject of internal and external audit to ensure compliance.

All related activities will take cognisance of the Police Scotland's values of Integrity, Fairness and Respect; underpinned by its Code of Ethics and Human Rights considerations.