Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-0427 Date: 25 February 2022



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

To make FOI request (s) in relation to any Health & Safety statutory risk assessments (around risk to public, wildlife, property and pets) that exist on the planning and justification of last night's events. The actual decision making around sanctioning this event in a residential area and what evidence* led to this action being taken? *Hearsay and gossip should never be accepted as evidence. What, if any, consideration was given to the social repercussions across the community – the causation of further division and mistrust across residents, towards agencies and the welfare of wild life going forward.

In response, I can advise that the Police do not have an input into the risk assessments carried out for this activity, nor do we have an input regarding the decision making for carrying this out or a role in sanctioning this event.

There is guidance for those undertaking the deer management for risk assessments and processes for permissions through Nature Scotland.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management – Inverness - quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply online, by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.



