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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Police Scotland recently conducted an Investigation into historic criminal use of college resources at South Lanarkshire College.

## The following updates were provided in SLC's board papers from the 9th March 2023.

## "Matters for Information"

## "The Police Scotland report which had specifically advised that there was no evidence of historic criminal use of college resources and that their investigations were now closed."

## As this is a public institution and the subject matter has been widely reported in the media and a therefore a matter of public interest, can you provide information on the full costs incurred by Police Scotland in conducting this Investigation.

I can advise you that Police Scotland does not hold the above requested information. In terms of Section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a formal notice that information is not held.

By way of explanation, Police Scotland do not record costs for such investigations as these are considered as part of our day to day business.

Furthermore, the costs would be difficult to quantify as the number of officers required throughout an investigation will fluctuate and officers involved in a particular investigation, or multiple investigations, can be redeployed to other duties at any time, dependant on their skillsets.

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).

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