| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-0637  Responded to: 14 May 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Investigations of Deaths in Care Homes – Any records indicating whether Police Scotland has investigated any deaths, assaults, or safeguarding incidents at Suncourt Nursing Home in the past five years. If available, please provide:

## The number of cases involving Suncourt Nursing Home.

## General details of the nature of the investigations (e.g., suspected neglect, criminality, or safeguarding concerns).

## Whether these investigations resulted in any criminal charges, prosecutions, or referrals to other agencies (e.g., the Care Inspectorate or local safeguarding bodies).

## May 2024 Fatal Accident – Confirmation of whether Police Scotland was involved in investigating the death at Suncourt Nursing Home in May 2024. If so, please provide:

## Any available records of the investigation’s scope and findings.

## Whether the case was referred to prosecutors or other relevant authorities.

## Any reports or conclusions regarding the cause of death and potential criminal or regulatory concerns.

When a locus enquired about is a specific residential property, details of any incidents and/ or crimes reported would amount to the personal data of the residents.

Personal data - where it is assessed that disclosure would contravene the data protection principles as defined in the Act - is exempt from disclosure in terms of section 38(1)(b) of the Act.

The exemptions outlined at sections 34(1)(b), 34(2)(b) and 35(1)(a)&(b) of the Act would also apply on the basis that any information held would be held for the purpose of an investigation, and disclosure would prejudice the law enforcement functions of the force.

In terms of section 18 of the Act, I am therefore refusing to confirm or deny whether the information sought is held by Police Scotland as the public interest overwhelmingly lies in protecting individuals’ right to privacy and honouring their expectation of confidentiality.

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.