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

## I wish to make a Freedom of Information Request for a breakdown of police station visits Chief Superintendent Rob Shepherd as done in the Highlands & Islands division January 2023 to the present date.

As part of his ongoing visibility and engagement strategy Chief Superintendent Shepherd has:

* Made annual visits to stations on the Western Isles, Orkney and Shetland Isles (in 2024 with the Chief Constable)
* Made annual visits to Skye, Fort William (with an additional visit in 2024 with DCC Connors), Wick and Thurso
* Quarterly visits to Alness / Dingwall and Tain
* Monthly or more frequent visits to Burnett Road and Nairn
* 2025 schedule of visits is ongoing

Please note that it is not possible for one leader to be visible across the 12000 square miles and 48 inhabited islands of H&I while also representing the Division at HQ at Tulliallan.  Given its importance, visibility requires a broader response.  As well as the critical role played by the Area Commanders, the four Superintendents also have a role in visibility with the aim being that each area command and each major station within is visited a minimum of three times per year by Chief Superintendent Shepherd, Superintendents and Executive.

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).

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.

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