

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-1499  
Date: 28<sup>th</sup> July 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.

- 1. Do the Police keep a central register of the byelaws that are currently in force in Scotland? If so, who do I contact to find out about it?**
- 2. Am specifically interested in finding out which Byelaws the Police believe to be in force in Aberdeen – so that we can confirm if this tallies with our understanding.**

We have made enquiries with colleagues in Legal Services and Police Scotland's Crime Registrars and I can advise you that there is no register etc. of byelaws held.

As such, in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, this represents a notice that the information you seek is not held by Police Scotland.

- 3. In addition, I have previously asked for and received enforcement figures for the alcohol bye-law – so is there a central police contact that can provide enforcement figures for all the current byelaws in Aberdeen?**

We can provide you with statistics for the North East Division on any national Scottish Government Justice Department (SGJD) crime classification that includes reference to byelaws, with the exception of '*Consumption of alcohol in designated places, byelaws prohibited*' - these are predominantly in relation to airports.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management Dundee, 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.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.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.

## OFFICIAL

You can apply [online](#), by email to [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.

