Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-0355 Date: 4 March 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.

I am writing to you today to enquire about any police records/documents/video footage/photos that pertain to mining and union organising/striking in Fife (particularly West Fife) in the 1970s and 1980s. I am undergoing a project at the University of Dundee researching mining in West Fife villages so any information that you could pass over to me would be greatly appreciated as this is an under researched time in Scottish history and my aim is to solve this.

Your request for information has now been considered and I can advise you that Police Scotland does not hold any of the information requested by you. In terms of Section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a formal notice that information is not held.

To be of assistance you could contact Fife Council Archives who may be able to assist you. I have provided a link below for you.

https://www.onfife.com/libraries-archives/archives/

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management – Glasgow at <u>foiglasgow@scotland.police.uk</u> 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 <u>online</u>, by email to <u>enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info</u> or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.





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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 <u>Disclosure Log</u> in seven days' time.

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