| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 25-2197Responded to: 18 August 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**1 - The total amount spent by Police Scotland on pest control in police stations in each of the calendar years 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date.**

| **Year** | **Reactive Expenditure** | **Planned Preventative Maintenance Expenditure** | **Total Expenditure** |
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| 2022 | £95,030.44 | £39,369.16 | £134,399.60 |
| 2023 | £86,108.58 | £63,280.56 | £149,389.14 |
| 2024 | £95,483.60 | £67,590.12 | £163,073.72 |
| 2025 to date | £41,852.31 | £44,960.80 | £86,813.11 |

**2 - Please provide a list of the type of pests that were removed (e.g. rats, silverfish, wasps, birds etc) in 2024.**

Rats Bats
Bees Mice
Pigeons Bluebottle Flies
Wasps Flies
Bed Bugs Squirrel
Ants Maggots
Silverfish bugs Fruitflies
Seagulls Flying Ants
Fleas

**3. Please also provide the names of the 5 police stations which spent the most on pest control in 2024 (while also including their 2023 and 2022 spends), as well as a list of the type of pests that were removed.**

Please refer to the table below.

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| **Site** | **Reactive Expenditure**  | **Pest Types**  |
| **2022** | **2023** | **2024** | **2024** |
| Meiklewood Road Complex | £768.02 | £3,871.19 | £13,366.46 | Squirrel (inc. net fitting), Wasps, Pigeons, Mice, Bluebottle Flies, Rats |
| Newton House, Ayr | - | £439.07 | £11,743.26 | Pigeon (inc. net fitting), Ants, Seagull, Rats |
| Govan Station | £306.68 | £6,389.45 | £6,439.31 | Seagull, Rats, Pigeons, Ants |
| Peterhead Station | - | - | £6,054.74 | Pigeon (inc. net fitting) |
| Dog Branch, Pollok Country Park | £306.68 | - | £4,805.68 | Wasps, Rats, Mice |

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 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 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.