Our Ref: IM-FOI-2021-2819 Date: 11 January 2021



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.

Please provide summary details of each current PFI / PPP / NPD contract your organisation has in place. Please do not send us copies of the contracts we are looking for specific information:

I must advise you that information relating to commitments under PFI Arrangements are disclosed in the Annual Report and Accounts, Accounts Note 20 in the Financial Year ended 31 March 2021 (see pages 166 and 167).

Accordingly information relating to Questions 1 - 5 is publicly available.

As such, in terms of Section 16 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, I am refusing to provide you with the information sought. Section 16 requires Police Scotland when refusing to provide such information because it is exempt, to provide you with a notice which:

- (a) states that it holds the information,
- (b) states that it is claiming an exemption,
- (c) specifies the exemption in question and
- (d) states, if that would not be otherwise apparent, why the exemption applies.

I can confirm that Police Scotland holds the information that you have requested and the exemption that I consider to be applicable is set out at Section 25(1) - information otherwise accessible.

The information is available via the following link:

https://www.spa.police.uk/spa-media/zn3niyle/35372-spa-annualreport-2021_fa-1-1.pdf

Notwithstanding, for clarity I can advise you as follows:

1. What is each contract for?

Police Scotland has one PFI contract for the construction, maintenance and operation of the Training & Recruitment Centre at Jackton.





2. Who are the parties in each contract?

The current parties to the contract are Scottish Police Authority and Strathclyde Limited. The predecessor legal party to the agreement was the Strathclyde Joint Police Board. Following the national merger of police forces effective from 1 April 2013, this party was replaced by the Scottish Police Authority.

3. What is the start date of each contract?

Operational commencement in October 2001

4. What is the end date of each contract?

October 2026

5. What is your estimate of the outstanding payments on each contract?

As at 31 March 2021 the outstanding value of payments was £31,160k.

6. What is your estimate of the total costs for each contract?

At the time of request, total costs of the contract to the Scottish Police Authority from 1 April 2013 – October 2026 is £71,255k.

We do not hold details of expenditure incurred by Strathclyde Joint Police Board from commencement of the contract to the date of creation of Police Scotland. As such, in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, this represents a notice that the information requested is not held by Police Scotland.

If you require further assistance or 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 <u>foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk</u> 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.

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.





