| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 23-2694  Responded to: 2nd November 2023 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## I write to request information in light of proposed "road safety" improvements Highland Council are planning for Lybster village

## Weblink https://www.highland.gov.uk/directory\_record/2033011/lybster\_srts\_scheme refers

## I would like some information please as follows, if available.

## 1. Can you provide road safety statistics for the number of collisions (vehicle, pedestrian or other road user) on the C1045 for as long a timeframe as you have.

## 2. Can you provide any casualty statistics for road accidents / incidents on the C1045 road.

Please be advised that statistics regarding Road Traffic Collisions are 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) of the Act - information otherwise accessible:

*“Information which the applicant can reasonably obtain other than by requesting it under Section 1(1) is exempt information”*

The information you are seeking is available on the Police Scotland website, from 2020 to date, via the following link:-

[Road traffic collision data - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/road-traffic-collision-data/)

The RTCs can be mapped to their specific locations using the filters and the Eastings and Northings. Older data is also available on the Department for Transport website via the below link, however you may find it easier to refer to [CrashMap](https://www.crashmap.co.uk/) which displays the DFT data in a more user friendly map format. [Road Safety Data - data.gov.uk](https://www.data.gov.uk/dataset/cb7ae6f0-4be6-4935-9277-47e5ce24a11f/road-safety-data)

## 3. Please provide any information / communications you have received or contributed to from Highland Council regarding proposed improvements to the C1045 road.

On the 31st July 2023, Police Scotland received consultation proposals from the Highland Council in relation to the village of Lybster and a Safer Routes to School Scheme on the C1045 road.

This detailed two improvement schemes, the first outside the primary school and the second outside the community centre.

Police Scotland intimated that we had no objections to the proposals on the 2nd August 2023.

## 4. Please provide any information on enforcement or road safety complaints associated with the C1045 road.

I can confirm that Police Scotland has not received any road safety complaints in relation to this road.

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.

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.