| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 23-1399Responded to: 21 June 2023 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## At 1230 on 25th May 2023, a journalist with Radio Clyde News posted on her Twitter account a clip from an interview with an Equality Advisor to the Police Service of Scotland.

## In that interview the advisor stated

## “When we look at the data that we collect, in the service that we provide, in some cases the services we provide into sections of the community is not as good as the service we provide into others”

## In terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, I hereby formally request a copy of that data, any associated analysis or reports already extracted from that data, details of the validation and quality control methodology applied to that data, including any independent validation (if any), and the methodology used to gather the data in the first place.

In response to your request I can advise that statement by the advisor was based on open source documents relating to Police Scotland’s service delivery.

One public document used by the advisor was an article printed in the newspaper ‘The Daily Record’, from August 2021. To be of assistance this document is linked below.

[The Daily Record](https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/politics/police-scotland-discipline-just-nine-24737735)

The article itself provides information gathered from Police Scotland via FOI. As the article does not provide the FOI reference number, I have conducted a search of Police systems and identified an FOI originally referenced 21-0353. This FOI appears to contain the original source data, however due to the passage of time and lack of reference I cannot confirm that the FOI mentioned in the article and the FOI I have identified are one and the same.

To be of assistance I have attached a copy of the identified FOI now titled FOI 23—1399 Attachment 01 for you to view. This FOI contains the statistics and methodology applied.

## Separately I also request copies of any correspondence to or from the advisor and the office of the Chief Constable, the office of DCC Fiona Taylor, or ACC David Duncan where the afore mentioned data is referenced, cited, or otherwise alluded to.

In response to this question I can advise that there are no records held of any correspondence regarding the statement by the advisor, as noted above, between the advisor and the office of the Chief Constable, the office of DCC Fiona Taylor or the office of ACC David Duncan as such and in terms of Section 17 of the Act, I can confirm that the information you seek is not held by Police Scotland.

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](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/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.