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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 wish to log a request for information relating to the number of road incidents recorded on the Wester Balblair Road, Beauly, IV4 7BQ (specific address removed).

I can confirm that checks were undertaken on our systems to establish the number of road traffic collisions recorded on the Wester Balblair Road, which is understood to be a short branch road off the A831.

On that basis I can advise you that Police Scotland does not hold any of the information requested and in terms of Section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a formal notice that information is not held.

By way of explanation, the specified area was selected using GIS Mapping (based on the Grid East and Grid North and this established that officers did not attend any traffic collisions on the Wester Balblair Road between 1st January 2020 and 31st December 2021.

It is important to note that the information provided above may exclude any *non-injury* road collision figures as there are no statutory obligations on Police Scotland to record such collisions. As such, there may have been other road accidents at the location in question which were not reported to Police Scotland, nor which required a collision report to be created, and will therefore not be included within the statistics.

Again, in terms of Section 17 of the Act, any such information is not held by the Service.

Notwithstanding, we have provided the number of road traffic related *incidents* recorded on STORM at the specified location, in the period requested.

Recorded Road Traffic Storm Incidents, Wester Balblair Road, Beauly (Broken by Final Incident Type) Period: 1st January 2020 - 31st December 2021 (Calendar Year)

Final Incident Type	2020	2021
Road Traffic Collision	1	0
Road Traffic Matter	0	2
Total	1	2

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- All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as at 13/04/2022.
- Data has been extracted from the Storm Unity database. The data was extracted using the incident's raised date and by using final incident codes TR-41 (Road Traffic Collision) and TR-43 (Road Traffic Matter)
- Specified areas have been selected using GIS Mapping using the Grid East and Grid North attached to the incident. Please note, the Grid East and Grid North relates to where Police Officers are directed to attend.
- A keyword search was also carried out on the locus line, and relevant records were selected.

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 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 [online](#), by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info 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 [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.