| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1724  Responded to: 11 June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## 1. The number of reports received by Police Scotland in the past three years (from October 2022 to April 2025) concerning the following phenomena:

## - Ghosts

## - Werewolves

## - Witches

## - Aliens

## - Zombies

## - Any other similar paranormal phenomena

## 2. For each report, please provide:

## - The date of the report

## - The nature of the report

## - The location of the reported incident

## - The actions taken by Police Scotland in response to each report

## - The outcome of each report

Unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

By way of explanation, there are no incident classifications that directly align to the type of incident(s) described in your request.

As such only way to provide an accurate response to your request would be to individually examine every incident report, for the time period requested - an exercise which I estimate would far exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

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](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@foi.scot) 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.