Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-0472 Date: 24th February 2022



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.

Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like to request details regarding an incident of "unexplained objects" on the evening of Friday February 11th 2022 over Pentlands which was reported by a member of the public. I believe that officers attended and that "checks were made".

For this request I would like the details of:

1 - The incident report

I can confirm that Police Scotland received a report of a flare near to the Hill End Ski Centre in the Pentland hills.

2 - Confirmation that officers did attend the incident

I can confirm that officers attended.

3 - What checks were carried out

Checks were conducted with the various barracks in the area as well as officers attending at the Hill End Ski Centre to check the general area.

4 - How the incident was closed

It was established that the incident related to the army using illuminations. No further police action, incident closed as "assistance/advice given - no crime report".

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management quoting the reference number given.

If you 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





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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 <u>Disclosure Log</u> in seven days' time.



