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Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-2080
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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.

Please provide this information for the past five financial years (up to the 2021/2022 financial year).

Please confirm how much has been spent in paying salaries of officers who were suspended on paid leave later:

a.) dismissed from the force

Please break this information down by year.

Please also break this down by rank of officer, if this is possible.

In response to your request I must in respond in terms of Section 17 of the Act, I can confirm that the information you seek is not held by Police Scotland.

By way of explanation, salary values are held monthly as an amount paid in each “payroll run” rather than by specific date. Whilst it may be possible for this information to be calculated by taking monthly employee salary/monthly employer’s national contributions/employers pension payments etc and dividing this to get the specific salary for the number of days an officer was suspended, there is not an obligation under the Act for new information to be created.

b.) found guilty of misconduct after they resigned/retired from the force?

Please break this information down by year.

Please also break this down by rank of officer, if this is possible.

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In Scotland misconduct cases would cease at resignation/ retirement.

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.

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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.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.