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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 list all instances of prayer vigils held by pro-life groups near hospitals or clinics in Edinburgh or Glasgow 01 July 2021 and 31 December 2021 in or around the specific areas below:**

**Edinburgh:**

- **On Chalmers Street, opposite the Chalmers Sexual Health Center, 2A Chalmers Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9HQ**
- **On Old Dalkeith Road, opposite the New Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, EH16 4SA**

**Glasgow:**

- A - On Castle Street, between the junctions with Springburn Road and St James' Road, opposite Glasgow Royal Infirmary, G4 0SF**
- B - On Hardgate Road in the area of the junction with Langlands Drive, opposite the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, G51 4TF**

**Please note my request relates only to instances, not incidents. Put simply, I'm asking if Police Scotland has knowledge of any prayer vigils events at these locations between the dates specified. A sample answer might be "a vigil took place at Chalmers Street from 10am – 12 noon on " or "a vigil takes place every Tuesday morning at "**

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 no information is held regarding instances or incidents of pro-life events between the dates or at the locations stated.

Please note that there is no requirement to inform the police of intentions to hold a vigil.

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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 [foi@scotland.police.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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.