Our Ref: IM-FOI-2018-1015 Date: 30th May 2018



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.

Was former Chief Constable Phil Gormley made aware of complaints made by Holyrood civil servants and others who claimed sexual misconduct by MSP's? If he was made aware of these allegations, when was he informed?

In response to your request we can confirm that we have checked our records and can find no record of the complaints referred to in the question above. The former Chief Constable Phil Gormley was regularly briefed, on a daily and weekly basis, on various operational matters and these briefings would take place on both a formal and informal basis. Whilst we have no record of the complaints requested we cannot state that the former Chief Constable Phil Gormley was not made aware of such complaints.

We are therefore unable to answer your request as the information is not held. Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 is therefore applied – information not held.

Should you require any further assistance concerning this matter please contact Information Management - Stirling on 01786 456321 quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with, you are entitled in the first instance, and within 40 working days of receiving this response, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Should you wish to do so, please contact us at the following address, stating what has caused your dissatisfaction and what you require us to review:

Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH - foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can raise an appeal using the online service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal or by writing to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via email at enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info.

Should you wish to appeal against the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.



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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.

