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Jean James

By Email

Dear Ms James,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 176/12

I refer to your email of 17 March 2012, in which you requested information in terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

I have repeated your questions hereunder, for your ease of reference;

1. Under the Freedom of Information Act provisions, will you please provide me with the <u>reasons why</u> Grampian Police decided to take no further action in relation to the investigation of the Hollie Greig case?"

Grampian Police fully investigated these matters and reported them to the Procurator Fiscal. Beyond which, it is the responsibility of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal service (COPFS) as to whether anyone is prosecuted. I refer you to the statement below, which was issued by COPFS in Jan 2010, which addresses these issues.

"Historical allegations of sexual abuse made by a 30 year old woman in Shropshire have been thoroughly investigated by Grampian Police. Crown Counsel have considered all the available information and decided that there is insufficient credible, reliable and admissible evidence to justify criminal proceedings in respect of these allegations."

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries. However, if you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of the decision made by the Force. Should you wish to proceed, please write to Iain Gray, Head of Information Disclosure Unit, Grampian Police, Woodhill House, Westburn Road, Aberdeen, AB16 5AB, within 40 working days of receiving this letter, stating clearly that you request a review and the decisions you wish reviewed.

If, after having been informed of the review decision you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision within six months of the date of the review response. Contact details are Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, telephone 01334 464610.

Yours sincerely,

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