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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.

### ***Background***

***Major information technology (IT) projects often run under specific Project Management protocols, for example PRINCE2. It is almost inconceivable that a project of the scale of the Vulnerable Persons Database [now known as the interim Vulnerable Persons Database (iVPD)] would not have been introduced under PRINCE2 or a similar project management system that uses a Risk Register.***

***The Risk Register of a project is a version-controlled document that identifies major threats and opportunities from implementing the Project. Under PRINCE2 the Risk Register is the responsibility of the Project Manager but it is Project Support that will maintain it.***

***It is now beyond all doubt that metaphorically there is “something rotten in the state of Denmark” with respect to the VPD/iVPD.***

### ***FIOSA 2002 Requests***

***Will Police Scotland provide the Risk Register that was in operation on 1 NOVEMBER 2018?***

***Will Police Scotland provide the Risk Register that was in operation on 1 NOVEMBER 2019?***

***Will Police Scotland provide the Risk Register that was in operation on the date of this FOISA 2002 request (i.e. 2 OCTOBER 2020)?***

In terms of Section 17(1) of the Act – this is a formal notice that information is not held. I have consulted with the Information Asset Manager and the Force Data Protection team and there is no specific iVPD risk register which relates to DP type concerns.

## OFFICIAL

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management Glasgow on 01786 895864 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.pnn.police.uk](mailto: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](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.