

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMINER

I write in response to your request for information in relation to forensic medical examiners.

Question:

1. The budget (monies paid) for forensic medical examiner and advanced forensic nurse practitioner cover to police custody healthcare in each of the last 3 financial years ?

Answer:

Budget	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Forensic medical examiner	£1,323,214	£1,454,699	£1,530,810
Advanced nurse practitioner	£397,707	£430,276	£455,734

Question:

2. The budget (monies paid) for nursing cover to police custody healthcare for each of the last 3 financial years?

Answer

Budget	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Nursing	£1,882,779	£2,029,626	£2,151,991

2025/26 is subject to change as we are not at the end of the financial year but we are not forecasting this to be a material change.

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by

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using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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