



**HEADQUARTERS**  
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**Our Ref:** HQ24217

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Dear

Thank you for your request dated 12 November 2024 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

For reference, you requested:

**RFI 1:** "The numbers of drones found in prisons this calendar year and in which prisons."

**RFI 2:** "The contents of the drones. Please give as much detail as possible in terms of types of drugs, mobile phones, types of weapons etc."

We have now completed our search for the information you requested.

**RFI 1 & 2 Response:** Please see table below:

Establishment	Month	Drone Recovered	Contents Recovered	Contents
Edinburgh	Jan	No	No	N/A
Edinburgh	Jan	No	No	N/A
Edinburgh	Jan	Yes	Yes	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Mobile Charging Cables, Pills, Powder, Beige Putty
Edinburgh	Jan	No	No	N/A
Edinburgh	Jan	No	No	N/A
Edinburgh	Jan	Yes	Yes	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Mobile Charging Cables, Pills, Powder, Lighters, Orange Gel, Brown Putty, A4 Paper, Brown Resin, Herbal Matter, White Powder, White Substance
Edinburgh	Jan	No	No	N/A
Edinburgh	Feb	No	No	N/A
Barlinnie	Mar	Yes	Yes	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Mobile Charging Cables, Earphones, Resin, Cream Powder, Tobacco,

				Cigarette Papers, Vape Capsules
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Mar	Yes	Yes	Mobile Telephone, Pills, Unidentified Soaked Material
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Mar	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Mar	Yes	Yes	Provided to Police Scotland prior to examination
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Mar	No	Yes	Mobile Telephones, White Powder, Unknown Substances
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Apr	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Apr	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	May	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	May	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephones, Mobile Charging Cable, Unknown Substances
<b>Barlinnie</b>	May	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Mobile Charging Cables, Tobacco, Cigarette Papers, Tablets, Pink Powder, Amber Substance, Green Buds, Brown Resin, Brown Substance, White Substance, White Substance, Tabs, Beige Substance
<b>Edinburgh</b>	May	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	May	Yes	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephone, Lighters, Unknown Substance, Vapes
<b>Edinburgh</b>	May	No	No	N/A
<b>Low Moss</b>	Jun	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Jun	Yes	Yes	Mobile Telephones, Block Substance, Capsules, White Powder, Tablets, Brown Paste, Screwdriver Heads, Vape Capsules
<b>Addiewell</b>	Jun	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephone
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Jul	No	No	N/A
<b>Perth</b>	Jul	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, White Powder, Syringes and Needles, Mobile Charging Cables, Screwdrivers, Stanley Knives, Sharp, pointed carbon fibre "tube" thought to be a part of a bike frame, Steroids, Paper, USB memory stick, Multifit cycle spanner, Tablets, Brown resin, White substance,

				Brown substance, Brown substance
<b>Inverness</b>	Jul	No	No	N/A
<b>Addiewell</b>	Aug	No	Yes	Mobile Telephones, USB Microchip, SIM Cards, Mobile Charging Cables, Yellow Paste, White Powder, Testosterone, Resin, White Tablets, Unconfirmed substance, Blue Tablets
<b>Low Moss</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Inverness</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Greenock</b>	Aug	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Aug	No	Yes	Ceramic Blades, Lighter, Mobile Telephones, Charging Cables, SIM Cards, Yellow Pills, White Powder, Grey Substance, Brown Powder, Cigarettes, Metal Mesh, Cigarette Papers, Brown Resin, Pink Substance, Blue and White Tablets, Cartoon Tabs
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Aug	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephones, Charging Cable, Powder, Storage Device, Steroids, Lock Back Knife
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Aug	No	Yes	Pills, Blue and White Tabs, Cartoon Tabs, Steroids, White Powder, Brown Powder, Beige Putty, Charging Cables, Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Headphones
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Aug	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Sep	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Sep	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Sep	Yes	Yes	Provided to Police Scotland prior to examination
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Sep	No	Yes	White Powder, Resin Substance, Orange Powder
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Sep	Yes	Yes	Pills, Tobacco, Brown Substance, Mobile Telephones, Airpods
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Sep	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Sep	No	No	N/A

<b>Perth</b>	Sep	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Charging Cables, Beige Substance
<b>Perth</b>	Sep	No	Yes (subsequent)	Provided to Police Scotland prior to examination
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Sep	Yes	Yes	Tablets, Capsules, White crystal, Ceramic Blade, Mobile Telephones, Cigarettes, Matches, SIM Cards
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Oct	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Oct	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Oct	No	Yes (subsequent)	Mobile Telephones, SIM Cards, Beige Substance, Yellow Tablets
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Oct	No	No	N/A
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Oct	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Oct	Yes	Yes	Police Scotland recovered items
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Oct	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Nov	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Shotts</b>	Nov	No	No	N/A
<b>Edinburgh</b>	Nov	No	Yes	Needles, Syringes, White Powder
<b>Barlinnie</b>	Nov	Yes	Yes	Provided to Police Scotland prior to examination

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to conduct an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, One Lochside, 1 Lochside Avenue, Edinburgh, EH12 9DJ. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be conducted and should be made within forty working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within twenty working days of receipt. If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Manager