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Dear Requester

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: FOI REQUEST 2022-671519

We acknowledge your request for the following information:

The estimated cost of upgrades to the Scottish Parliament car park from 24th June 2021 to 8th July 2022; and,

The scope of upgrades made to the Scottish Parliament car park from 24th June 2021 to 8th July 2021, including a breakdown of all changes made.

Your request was received on 8 February 2022 and has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

In relation to the first part of your request we have interpreted the period of the request as from 24 June 2021 to 8 July 2021 (not 8 July 2022). If we have misunderstood the period of the request, then please let us know.

During the period 12th June 2020 to 30th June 2021, the Scottish Parliament undertook a project to strengthen security at our vehicle entrance. The total package of works, including design fees, VAT etc was £2.5m pounds. All our contracts are published on the website which can be accessed [here](#)

We do not hold information in a format which allows us to identify the costs of upgrades to the Scottish Parliament car park over the period of your request, from 24th June 2021 to 8th July 2021. As this information is not held by the Scottish Parliament, we have attached a not held notice in terms of the technical requirements under FOI(S)A.

The work undertaken during this period included strengthening the Parliament's perimeter security and the extension of the vehicle entrance and

exits. The Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body approved this project in May 2020, following the terrorist attacks in the UK during 2017.

We are unable to provide a breakdown of all changes made to the car park as this information is exempt from disclosure in terms of section 39(1) of FOI(S)A – where disclosure would, or would be likely to, endanger the physical and mental health or safety of an individual. The reasons in support of the use of this exemption are set out in the attached refusal notice.

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We would welcome feedback or comment on how we handled your request.

Please feel free to contact the Head of Information Governance at

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Please find below Annex A, which explains how we handle FOI requests and reviews.

We are currently working remotely and so would ask you to contact us by email at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Yours sincerely,

Robin Davidson
Head of Information Governance

REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

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Post: Head of Information Governance
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E-mail: foi.officer@parliament.scot

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Post: The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
Fife
KY16 9DS

Email: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Telephone: 01334 464610

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Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

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How to contact us

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