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Dear Ms Jardine,

Thank you for your request dated 16 August, 2022, under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) for:

RFI 1: Please could you provide the most up to date waiting list numbers for all Offending Behaviour Programmes for long-term prisoners by establishment in Scotland.

RFI 2: Please could you provide current absence figures for SPS staff as per those which were previously reported on a regular basis on the SPS website.

RFI 3: Following the implementation of the SPS Covid 19 Transition Plan, and subject to the identification of any potential Covid 19 cases, please could you confirm by establishment whether a pre-pandemic regime is in place for all other prisoners. For clarity, we would like to know a) the average number of hours out of cell for each prisoner, per day, per establishment b) the average number of hours spent in purposeful activity for each prisoner, per day, per establishment.

I apologise for the slight delay in our response. We have now completed our search for the information you requested which has been provided.

RFI 1 Response: The number of life and long term prisoners waiting on Offender Behaviour Programmes in each establishment, as of 18 August 2022, taken from the national offending behaviour programme waiting lists, is set out below.

| Establishment | Number of Individuals |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Addiewell | 26 |
| Barlinnie | 38 |
| Cornton Vale | 1 |
| Dumfries | 32 |
| Edinburgh | 116 |
| Glenochil | 117 |
| Grampian | 37 |
| Greenock | 3 |
| Inverness | 4 |
| Kilmarnock | 23 |
| Low Moss | 58 |

| Perth | 46 |
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| Polmont | 21 |
| Shotts | 190 |

RFI 2: Request has been withdrawn.

RFI 3 Response: Please see below.

| | Average Number of hours out | Average number of hours spent in |
|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | of cell for each prisoner per | purposeful activity per day, per |
| | day, per establishment | establishment |
| Barlinnie | No data Held | 1.05hrs |
| *Edinburgh | No data Held | 1.6hrs |
| Greenock | No data Held | 2.1hrs |
| Dumfries | 6.2hrs weekdays | 3.2hrs |
| Inverness | 6.4hrs weekdays, 5.8hrs | 1.75hrs |
| | weekend | |
| Low Moss | No data Held | 4.28hrs |
| Perth | 4.5hrs weekdays | 1.33hrs |
| Open | No Data held | 3.23hrs |
| Polmont | No data held | 4.22hrs |
| Cornton Vale | Peebles House 14hrs | No Data Held |
| | Ross House 6hrs | |
| *Glenochil | 6hrs – 6.5hrs weekdays | 4hrs |
| *Grampian | 5hrs weekdays | 3hrs |
| *Shotts | 8.5hrs weekdays | 2.4hrs |

^{*}It should be noted that many prisons are now operating an engagement regime in the evening, with those in our care being give the option of access to activities and recreation.

Times recorded on our data system are provided in 60mins = 100, for example, 1.75hrs as reported above will be 1hr 45mins.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, Calton House, 5 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9HW. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be carried out, and should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply

within 20 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

Grant Marshall

SPS HQ