

Reference: 2026-072

Thank you for your email in which you requested the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

Please provide the following recorded information held by the SFO:

- 1. The SFO case/investigation reference number concerning Peter Clarence Foster and Christopher Williams.**
- 2. The date, or approximate date, on which the investigation was opened.**
- 3. The date the investigation was closed, if applicable.**
- 4. The name of the police force, government agency or other body that originally referred the matter to the SFO.**
- 5. The date of that referral.**
- 6. Any reference number associated with the original referral.**
- 7. The SFO division or unit responsible for the investigation.**
- 8. Whether the historical case file still exists and whether it remains with the SFO or has been transferred elsewhere, including The National Archives.**
- 9. I am also seeking the identity of the police officer who made or originated the referral or complaint that led to the SFO investigation. If the officer's name is considered exempt from disclosure, please provide any non-exempt information available, such as the police force, unit, rank or office involved.**

Response

We have considered each part of your request individually and our response is set out below. We have undertaken reasonable searches to identify information held within the scope of your request. The information located as a result of those searches has been provided below.

Question 1

The SFO case/investigation reference number concerning Peter Clarence Foster and Christopher Williams is **FWG01 – Foster, Williams, Goodsir-Cullen**.

Question 2

The date, or approximate date, on which the investigation was opened was **01/12/1995**.

Question 3

The date the investigation was closed, if applicable. **28/09/2000**

Question 5

The date of that referral was **01/12/1995**.

Question 7

The SFO division or unit responsible for the investigation was **Division B**.

Questions 4, 6, 8, 9

We have been advised that records previously held in archive relating to this matter have been destroyed in accordance with the [SFO's records retention and disposal procedures](#).

In order to determine whether any further information might be available, we also reviewed the descriptions of the archived records. However, this review did not identify any additional information relevant to your request.

Accordingly, beyond the information provided above, the SFO does not hold any further recorded information relevant to Questions 4, 6, 8, 9 of your requests.