

Subject: Request for an entry from Register of Births regarding a birth on 11 November 1888 in Renfrew, Glasgow.

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Information requested:

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NRS Response:

From 01 January 1855, statutory registration was introduced in Scotland and the statutory birth, marriage and death records can be accessed via the ScotlandsPeople website (www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk). The statutory registers can also be viewed at the ScotlandsPeople Family History Centre in Edinburgh or at one of five local Centres located across Scotland. For more details about the ScotlandsPeople service and charges, please click on the link below:

<https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/research/family-history>

Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to provide information if it is already reasonably accessible..

Records on ScotlandsPeople are indexed. Please note that the index only contains the year of an event and not the full date. Therefore you will only be able to search by year and not date. When performing a search a list of index entries matching the criteria chosen will appear. One can then select the record of interest by clicking on the person's surname. Just as the search, the index will only display the year and not the full date (e.g. 1888 instead of 11/11/1888).

Our online website can be searched for male births in Glasgow in 1888, but this is cost prohibitive as you will need to browse many pages, at a cost of £1.50 per page, to find records of births that took place on 11 November. Alternatively, a place can be booked at the Centre in Edinburgh or at one of the local family history centres and for a fee of £15.00 one can search the records for a full day. There are additional charges to print (one credit) a record or download one (six credits) to an individual's ScotlandsPeople account.

Please note that records of adoption are held by National Records of Scotland (NRS) from 1930 onwards. Before then adoptions were arranged on an informal or private basis, either by individuals or by a number of charitable adoption agencies. From 1855, a few may be noted in the Statutory Register of Births when a registrar added that information to the record of the birth of a child.

For information about the records, please visit the [Help and Guidance](#) pages on our website or contact us by emailing: customerservices@scotlandspeople.gov.uk.