



**Buckinghamshire**  
**FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**  
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# Information requests 2024 to 2025

Responses to requests made between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025

We receive a wide range of requests for information from the public and from businesses. Listed below are the requests we have responded to under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025

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## BRFS Ref:

487 24/25

## Information Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information regarding fire brigade callouts related to BBQ use in your service area:

The total number of fire service callouts related specifically to BBQs for each of the calendar years:

2022

2023

2024

For each year, please categorise the BBQ-related incidents where possible into the following types:

Smoke only (no fire present)

Minor outdoor fire caused by BBQ use

Fire resulting in structural or property damage linked to BBQ use

False alarm triggered by BBQ smoke

Incidents involving injuries or where medical attention was required due to BBQ use

How many of these incidents were linked to the use of disposable BBQs?

How many incidents were recorded where BBQs were used in inappropriate or unsafe locations (e.g. balconies, woodland, near flammable materials)?

How many repeat callouts (i.e. two or more incidents at the same location) for BBQ-related issues were recorded during this period?

Please include any information captured in the free text sections of incident reports where relevant search terms such as "BBQ", "barbecue", "disposable BBQ", or "disposable barbecue" have been identified.

If available, please provide the data in spreadsheet format (e.g. CSV or Excel).

If one part of the request can be answered sooner than the others, please send that information first, followed by any subsequent data.

If it is not possible to provide any of this information due to exceeding the appropriate cost limit outlined in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act, please advise what information could be provided within the limit.

If you need any clarification or have any questions regarding this request, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Response:



FOI 487 BBQ  
Incidents.xlsx

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BRFS Ref:

486 24/25

Information Request:

Please can you provide me with details of incidents that USAR has attended in 2024 and also now in 2025. Including the incident types, appliances attended and a where about location.

Response:



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**BRFS Ref:**

485 24/25

**Information Request:**

I would like to request when the new 74 plates will be delivered and when about they go on the run, also what stations they will be allocated to and where the other trucks go.

**Response:**

The three new Volvo appliances have been delivered, and the first one has gone on the run at Beaconsfield. The other two will go on the run at Newport Pagnell and West Ashland in the coming month or so.

The cascade moves will be as follows:

New Volvo (KW74XRZ) > NPA P1 (Volvo KO68FUE) > BRI P1 (Scania KX57TWJ) > Disposal

New Volvo (KW74XRY) > BEA P1 (Volvo KY73JYK) > HWY P2 (Volvo KM70ZBN) > Reserve (Volvo KX17MXB) > OLN P1(Scania KX11OHR) > STO P1 (Scania KX59JHK) > Disposal

New Volvo (KW74XRX) > WAS P1 (Volvo KN72NBE) > WAS P2 (KN71RXC) > Training School (Volvo KX17MXF) > MAR P1 (Scania KX59JHH) > Disposal

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**BRFS Ref:**

484 24/25

**Information Request:**

I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding facilities management, estate management

and/or commercial building maintenance tenders undertaken by your organisation. Specifically, I would like to request the following information:

### **Tender Process**

Anticipated return to market dates for any relevant tender notices or advertisements and the expected platforms to be used.

Any minimum requirements (financial, professional, or otherwise) that bidders will have to meet.

### **Contract Award Details**

The name of the successful contractor(s), along with the total contract value and duration detailing if these are fixed service costs or reactive and project works / combined.

The contract commencement date, duration and potential extensions, if included.

A summary of the services included in the contract.

A record of any significant changes or variations to the scope of works, contract value, or timeframe since contract award.

### **Documentation**

Copies of the tender return documents for the current service provider that are not exempt from FOI requests.

### **Response:**

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service does not have a specific contract for facilities management/estate management.

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service publishes tender opportunities via its e-tendering portal, link as follows to <https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/blpd/home>

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service publishes a register of current contracts with estimated contract review dates where you can review details of all the contracts. Please refer to the Contracts Register using the link: [Contracts Register - Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service](#)

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BRFS Ref:

483 24/25

Information Request:

Please can I have a copy of the contract the Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue has with London and Quadrant Housing relating to Skelton Close and when it was implemented.

Response:



FOI 483.pdf

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BRFS Ref:

482 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request information regarding the contracts held by the Fire & Rescue service for the provision of the following network services:

1. Wide Area Network (WAN)
2. Local Area Network (LAN)
3. Wi-Fi and Wireless Networks
4. Internet Connectivity For each of the above services

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

- . Supplier: The name of the company or organisation currently providing the service. - Buckinghamshire Council, using a BT line infrastructure, provide all the listed services to Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service.

- . Service Details: A brief description of the services currently being provided under the contract (e.g., number of sites, bandwidth, technology used, number of access points, etc.). Please provide as much detail as possible without disclosing commercially sensitive information - Internet connection and local network connection for 20 sites using a software defined networking using fibre connections. The bandwidth for each site varies between 1Gbps and 50 Mbps depending on the site usage. There are 65 access points across the 20 sites.
- . Contract Cost: The total cost of the current contract (annual or contract term, whichever is readily available). If this information is commercially sensitive and exempt from disclosure, please explain the legal basis for the exemption - This is a Joint Venture Agreement (JVA) between Buckinghamshire Council & Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service. The 2025 estimated contract annual value for Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service is £153,000.
- . Contract End Date: The date on which the current contract expires with any details of any remaining extension options - The current JVA is due to expire on 23/12/2027.

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BRFS Ref:

481 24/25

Information Request:

Requested further information but not received.

Response:

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BRFS Ref:

480 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



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**BRFS Ref:**

479 24/25

**Information Request:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you disclose the following information:

- 1.
- 2.
3. In the past 5 years, how many claims have been made against the service? (Broken down
4. by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)
- 5.

1a. Can this be broken down by reason for the claim (i.e. personal injury, negligence, property damage, etc) and whether an employee or member of the public submitted the claim? (Broken down by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)

- 2.
- 3.
4. Can you provide the number of claims that were settled with compensation? (Broken down
5. by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)
- 6.

2a. How much was paid out in compensation for successful claims against the service? (Broken down by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)

## Response:

- 1) In the past 5 years, how many claims have been made against the service? (Broken down by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)
  - Can this be broken down by reason for the claim (i.e. personal injury, negligence, property damage, etc) and whether an employee or member of the public submitted the claim? (Broken down by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)
  - Can you provide the number of claims that were settled with compensation? (Broken down by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)
- 2) How much was paid out in compensation for successful claims against the service? (Broken down by years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.)

### 2020

7 total claims made against the Service in 2020, totalling £13,868 in compensation payments

- 1 x Employee injury
- 3 x Collision with third party moving vehicle
- 3 x Collision with third party parked / unattended vehicle

### 2021

4 total claims made against the Service in 2021, totalling £3,245 in compensation payments

- 2 x Collision with third party moving vehicle
- 2 x Collision with third party parked / unattended vehicle

### 2022

5 total claims made against the Service in 2022, totalling £47,162 in compensation payments

- 2 x Collision with third party moving vehicle
- 3 x Collision with third party parked / unattended vehicle



2023

7 total claims made against the Service in 2023, totalling £10,046 in compensation payments

- 1 x Third party injury (still open)
- 2 x Third party property
- 1 x Collision with third party moving vehicle
- 3 x Collision with third party parked / unattended vehicle

2024

6 total claims made against the Service in 2024, totalling £23,580 in compensation payments

- 1 x Third party other (still open)
- 1 x Third party property
- 3 x Collision with third party moving vehicle (1 x still open)
- 1 x Collision with third party parked / unattended vehicle

All claims were reported by employees through internal processes, except for the 2 highlighted which were reported by the third party. In addition, all claims listed resulted in compensation payments being made, except for the 3 listed as 'still open'.

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**BRFS Ref:**

478 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 478 QBE FOI  
Request Data Entry

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**BRFS Ref:**

477 24/25

**Information Request:**

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contract below.

Workwear PPE and Laundry Services

- \* What are the contractual performance KPI's for this contract?
- \* Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages \* Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date \* Start date & duration of framework/contract?
- \* Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?
- \* Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?
- \* Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?
- \* Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

**Response:**

Workwear PPE and Laundry Services – Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service has a contract for the provision of a Fully Managed Firefighting PPE Provision.

- \* What are the contractual performance KPI's for this contract?

KPI	Measure
1	Availability of PPE

2	H&S - Access and Retention of Evidence
3	Maintaining records
4	Cleaning of Items
5	Provision Measuring Service and MTMs
6	Delivery of Garments
7	Production of monitoring information
8	Service Support
9	User satisfaction and Complaints
10	Agreed Actions
11	New Recruits

\* Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages – Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service does not have this information; this is a direct call-off contract under a National Fire Framework. This information will be held by the framework Contracting Authority who awarded the national fire PPE direct call-off framework.

\* Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date. - £1,440,137.18

\* Start date & duration of framework/contract? 03/09/2028 – up to 10 years

\* Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised? Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service does not have this information, this is a direct call-off contract under a framework. This information would be held by the framework Contracting Authority who awarded the supplier to the National PPE Framework.

\* Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension? - 2 years

\* Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed? - No

\* Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract? Group Manager Technical and Procurement Manager

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#### BRFS Ref:

476 24/25

#### Information Request:

Please may I request under the freedom of information act:

1. All the original building plans and proposals for 8-10 Wellington Avenue, Princes Risborough, Bucks, HP27 9HY now known as Montgomery Court properties 1-10 , Wellington Avenue, HP27 9GA
2. The final certificate
3. Bucks fire service consultation report

#### Response:



1482-CDM1D 24 03  
21.pdf



1482-ME1D 24 03  
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1482-ME2B 23 02  
21.pdf



1482-ME3B 23 02  
21.pdf



1482-ME4B 23 02  
21.pdf



Certificate\_WITEM-3  
73823 - Plot 8.pdf



Certificate\_WITEM-3  
73824 - Plot 6.pdf



Certificate\_WITEM-3  
73825 - Plot 10.pdf



Certificate\_WITEM-3  
73827 - Plot 9.pdf



Certificate\_WITEM-3  
73828 - Plot 7.pdf



FSD026-W7084.pdf

#### BRFS Ref:

475 24/25

#### Information Request:

DEAR SIR MADAM PLEASE CAN YOU SEND ME AN UP TO DATE COPY OF THE VEHICLE FLEET LIST WHICH INCLUDES THE STATIONS REG NO MAKE A MODEL AND PLEASE A HARD COPY THANK YOU

#### Response:



FOI 475 RED FLEET  
LIST 25.02.25.pdf

#### BRFS Ref:

474 24/25

#### Information Request:

Hello i would like to request to have a updated list of how many firefighters are based at each station whether they be retained, day crewed or wholtime firefighters, as well as number of how many station commanders, watch commanders, and crew commanders there are per station.

#### Response:

Firefighter	246
Crew Commander	47
Watch Commander	48
Station Commander	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>

Retained	67
Day Crew	30
Wholetime	264
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>

<b>Station</b>	
Amersham	16
Amersham / Beaconsfield	1
Aylesbury	61

Beaconsfield	30
Brill	5
Broughton	28
Broughton / Newport Pagnell	1
Buckingham	19
Chesham	4
Flexi	5
Gerrards Cross	5
High Wycombe	53
High Wycombe / Gerrards Cross	1
Marlow	5
Newport Pagnell	12
Not station based	34
Olney	7
Princes Risborough	5
Stokenchurch	1

Waddesdon	4
West Ashland	59
Winslow	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>

**Please note:** Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (BFRS) has three Station Commanders that cover two station grounds, hence the splits in the bottom table. BFRS also has numerous operational staff who do not have a sole base station or are not station based, these are roles such as: Protection, Prevention, On Call, Human Resources, Operational Assurance, Operational Training, Organisation Development, Resource Management Team, and Response and Technical.

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**BFRS Ref:**

473 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

  
FOI 473 -  
Response.xlsx

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**BFRS Ref:**

472 24/25

**Information Request:**



I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The main purpose of this request is to gather data from each fire service in the United Kingdom regarding vape-related fires.

Specifically, I am seeking information on the following:

- The **total number of vape-related fires** attended by the fire service for each of the past 5 years (2020-2024).
- If held, a breakdown of **the causes of each vape-related fire**, for example poor charging or disposal practices, or counterfeit or faulty products.

Response:



FOI 472 Vape Fires  
FOI \_ February 2025.

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BRFS Ref:

471 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:

The information that we require is as follows:-

- 1) Do you use a social media management platform? - Yes
- 2) If so, what tools do you use? - Sendible
- 3) What is your annual spend on a Social media management tool? - £750
- 4) What dates does your contract with your current supplier end (in the format of [month/year]) 5) Do you use a social listening / media monitoring platform? - Yearly, November 2025
- 6) If so, what tools do you use? - Sendible

- 7) What is your annual spend on a social listening / media monitoring tool? -  
£6,030 (two-year contract)
- 8) What dates does your contract with your current supplier end (in the format of [month/year]) - December 2026
- 9) Who is the senior person responsible for managing these contracts? -  
Communications, Marketing and Engagement Manager
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**BRFS Ref:**

470 24/25

**Information Request:**

I would like to request the amount of times specialist appliances was mobilised in 2024. This includes: TL, OSU, ICU, USAR, EPU, ARU, Water Carrier ECT.

**Response:**



FOI 470  
Mobilisation of spec

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**BRFS Ref:**

469 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Further to your email dated 17 January 2025 when you requested the information below. Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service can only answer one question (Question 2) regarding some historical data we hold (see below).

We suggest that you contact Buckinghamshire Council who may have more current information: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/your-council/requesting-information-council/request-information-about-council/>

I am undertaking an environmental review of a property in your area that I understand may have formerly / currently been used for the storage of petroleum. As a result, it is standard practice to commission a petroleum officer / environmental records site search for the site.

The property in question is: Thorney Mill Road West Drayton UB7 7EZ.

*Please note the nature of the request is urgent and we require a response within the 20 day turnaround for risk assessment purposes in order for immediate works to be undertaken at the site.*

I have attached a site plan edged in red.

Please could you provide the following information (if held) for the property:

1. A copy of any current / former petroleum Licences for the property and your inspection records.
2. Details of current and historical underground and above ground fuel storage tanks i.e. capacity, type of fuel, composition of tank, dates of installation etc.

Bardon Aggregates (believed to be the long rectangular building within the red boundary line on the supplied plan). This site was last inspected in May 2017. The SSRI record was made inactive due to the site being cleared for future development.

Although this site is inactive, there is still historical hazard information available. Screenshots below.

Original Risk ID (reference only): GEX/2/143		Ref: GEX/2/RA/04321		 <b>PREVENTING PROTECTING RESPONDING</b> <small>WWW.BUCKSFIRE.GOV.UK</small>										
Details	P 1-4	P 5-6	P 7-9	P 10-11/Occup.	Roof	Env. Chk1	Env. Chk2	Ops Trng	1.7b	1.7c(1)	1.7c(2)	1.7e	1.7f	Comments/Approvals

<b>10. SIGNIFICANT AND SUBSTANTIAL HAZARDS:</b> ▶ Moving hazards - HGV Large gas main intake Oxygen, Propane on site, see plan Hot Asphalt stored on site, see cue card in event of burn 2m x 2m Conveyor belt tunnel under storage bays 600ltrs Methylene Chloride Rotating Machinery 45,000litres diesel oil, see plan Boiling hot bitumen, see cue card in event of burn Diesel railway line on site, trains at 0700 and 1300 Record: 1 of 13 No Filter Search		<b>11. SIGNIFICANT CONTROLS:</b> Fire Service Folder in red box inside main gate. Contains site Lake opposite entrance (see plan) 10000 litre water tank to rear of site (see plan) Gas shut offs to RH boundary of site and in centre of site (see Various electrical shut offs around site. Padlock code 1066 Record: 7 of 7 No Filter Search	
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3. Any integrity testing reports / data for the tanks and pipework.
4. Details of any upgrades (re-lining etc) to the tanks, pumps or pipework etc.
5. Details of any history of product losses, spillage or incidents at the site.
6. Details and dates of known decommissioning / removal of tanks.
7. Copies of any former / current plans held for the property including drainage layouts.

#### BRFS Ref:

468 24/25

#### Information Request:

Please see below.

#### Response:

We are conducting research on the use of emergency securing services (such as boarding up and securing buildings) for the UK's fire departments. As part of this research, we would like to find out the following information about your fire department's practices and data in this area. Specifically, we are looking to cover the following:

#### Scenarios and Usage:

- In what scenarios do you use emergency securing services (i.e. when would you use forceable entries that require emergency securing services)? Are

there standard guidelines or policies governing when these services are engaged? – Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service have guidance on effecting entry and securing buildings. It does not directly engage emergency securing services. Where the Service effects entry on a building that requires securing, this responsibility would pass to the responsible person for the site, or the partner agency that requested assistance gaining entry or the police.

**Frequency:**

- How many cases require emergency securing services annually (ideally from 2010 to 2024). If possible, please provide a breakdown of the cause of forced entry (i.e. executing search warrant, concern for welfare, to prevent property damage, etc.). – Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service has no accurate way of identifying the information requested.

**Service Providers:**

- Who are the main providers or contractors engaged for emergency securing services? - Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service do not directly engage contractors for emergency securing services.
- What proportion of emergency securing services does each contractor achieve? - N/A

**Expenditure and remuneration:**

- How are these services funded – is there a framework in place (if so, please provide detail)? Which parties are responsible for remunerating the emergency securing service contractor? Where Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service have gained access for a partner agency the cost is borne by them.
- What is the average cost per securing service? – N/A
- What has been the annual expenditure on emergency securing services for each year from 2010 to 2024? – N/A

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BRFS Ref:

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:

I am reaching out to submit a Freedom of Information request regarding the use of electric vehicles within your service.

I would be grateful if you could provide responses to the following questions:

1. How many motor vehicles are owned by the service as of November 2024 - 57
2. How many electric vehicles (including hybrid) are owned by the service as of November 2024 – 0 (the Service has not purchased any electric vehicles, but it does have some on contract hire)
3. The manufacturer name of electric vehicles bought by the service up to November 2024 – The Service has not purchased any electric vehicles.
4. How much has your service spent on electric vehicles up to November 2024 - £31,500 (the spend on electric vehicles relates to the lease cost from initial delivery to November 24).
5. What are electric vehicles used for in your service – Fire Safety Inspecting Officers.
6. How many electric vehicles does the service plan to purchase in the five-year period to March 2030 – nothing planned.
7. What budget has your service allocated to purchase electric vehicles every year up to March 2030 – nothing specifically allocated.

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BRFS Ref:

Information Request:

Freedom of Information Request - Fire Incidents at Student Halls (2019-2024)

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.  
Please provide the following data for the period from January 1, 2019, to  
December 31, 2024:

1. The total number of callouts to fire incidents at student halls/student residences
2. The total number of callouts to student halls/student residences that were false alarms.
3. The total number of callouts to student halls/student residences that were the result of a real fire incident.

If possible, please provide this information broken down by year.

If you need any clarification or have any questions regarding this request, please don't hesitate to contact me.

If the cost of complying with this request exceeds the appropriate limit set by the Act, I would be grateful if you could inform me and provide advice on how I might refine my request.

#### Response:



FOI 466 Fires at  
Student Halls respon

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#### BRFS Ref:

465 24/25

#### Information Request:

To whom this may concern,

I am writing to make a request for information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

From 2022 to 2024, please would you tell me:

1. The TOTAL number of reported e-bike and e-scooter fires;
2. The TOTAL number of injuries as a result of e-bike and e-scooter fires;
3. The TOTAL number of fatalities as a result of e-bike and e-scooter fires.

<https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/media/8869/foi-response-foia84211.pdf>

<https://www.theguardian.com/news/2023/may/02/e-bike-e-scooter-battery-fires-uk-data>

Additionally, I wish this information to be broken down by year and provided in a spreadsheet format.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters.

**Response:**



FOI 465 Ebike and  
Escooter fires respo

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**BRFS Ref:**

464 24/25

**Information Request:**

I would like to request the number of times each station/appliance has had a call in 2023 and 2024. Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 464  
response.xlsx

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**BRFS Ref:**

463 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.



## Response:



FOI 463 Bedroom  
fires response.xlsx

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## BRFS Ref:

462 24/25

## Information Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service. Please may you provide me with:

List of all vehicles currently on your fleet. Please provide Make/Model/Date of issue/Registration Plate or VIN/Lenght of Licence/Type of Use.

Please provide the information in the form of Excel, CSV or PDF.

## Response:



Fleet List FOI  
12.24.pdf

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## BRFS Ref:

461 24/25

## Information Request:

Please see below.

## Response:

1. Please can you provide me with your current policy for response (blue light) emergency driving?



#### Emergency Response Driving Pc

2. Does the driver of the 999 emergency vehicle make the decision to put the blue lights/sirens on since it is them claiming the emergency driving exemptions or does the organisation tell a driver when to use emergency warning equipment/blue lights/sirens? E.g. you must put your blue lights on for all/some categories of jobs.
1. When control alert the appliance/crews, they will be told what type of incident they are going to, complete with the address. The driver will activate their emergency warning equipment if appropriate to do so with the conditions faced. Sometimes, for certain incidents, emergency warning equipment might not be necessary or required depending on the nature of the incident. Our drivers can claim some of the exemptions without using warning equipment for example when following other road users on solid white lines they can choose not to use blue lights.

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#### BRFS Ref:

460 24/25

#### Information Request:

Please see below.

#### Response:



FOI 460  
Recruitment and ret

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#### BRFS Ref:

459 24/25

#### Information Request:

Please see below.

**Response:**

I'm reaching out from Changing Social, a Microsoft Partner, to request some information regarding your Fire and Rescue service's IT budget for this year. Specifically, I'd like to understand the total budget and its allocation across key areas such as hardware, software, infrastructure, cloud services, and any spending related to AI tools or projects.

**Budget**

Hardware - £111,250 – Computer Hardware 2024/25

Software - £773,040 – Computer Software 2024/25

Infrastructure - None

Cloud services - Included within Computer Software

AI tools or projects - None

I'd appreciate any insights into your main IT priorities and focus areas for the next financial year (2025/2026). - Priorities are to conduct a Penetration Test and remediate issues arising from the report and installation of Smart Phones onto front line appliances.

Do you have Microsoft 365 licenses across your Fire and Rescue service? If yes, how many and what type? Do you provide any special licensing for your frontline workers? - Yes, we have Microsoft 365 licenses, see the tables below, no "Special licensing" for frontline workers.

Do you have an intranet solution in place? If so, what's that? - Our Intranet is provided by Interact.

Do you work with any partners for adoption and change management of technology? – No.

Are your employees allowed to use generative AI in the workplace? - Only approved AI where processing of the data is carried out within our network.

Do you have a usage policy for generative AI? If so, are you able to share this with us please? - No specific AI Usage policy.

Do you have a specific budget allocated to generative AI in the workplace implementation and also training? - No budget or training specifically allocated to AI.

Are you able to share your IT budget for the coming financial year (2025/2026)?  
- The budget for 2025/26 has not been finalised / approved, therefore unable to share.

Can you provide a breakdown on how this budget will be spent? - See above.

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BRFS Ref:

458 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:

How many awards events do you hold and when do you hold them (month)? –  
Two, July and October.

What are they called? – The People Awards and the Long Service Awards Ceremony.

Are the award(s) event(s) sponsored? – The People Awards are part sponsored.

Who is the main contact for the above events and please supply their email address? Head of Technology, Transformation and PMO

[Enquiries@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:Enquiries@bucksfire.gov.uk) and Democratic Services Officer

[informationGovernance@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:informationGovernance@bucksfire.gov.uk)

Do you engage outside speakers/hosts for any of the above events, if so which ones? – No.

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BRFS Ref:

457 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 457 Christmas  
related incidents res

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**BRFS Ref:**

456 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Based upon your questions below, the assumption is it's regarding Residential High-Rise Buildings, with that caveat in mind, the answers are as follows:

1. How many up-to-date building and wall plans have you received, in your jurisdiction, since January 2023? – Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (BFRS) has received 20 up to date wall plans.
2. It is a legal requirement by the Government that wayfinding signage be installed and updated in high-rise buildings. Whose responsibility is it to 'safeguard' this, and what processes (if any) are in place to ensure these requirements are met? - The legal requirement for wayfinding signage sits with the Responsible person for the building under the Fire Safety (England) Regulations.
3. How many high-rise buildings are served by you, in your jurisdiction? - There are 46 residential high-rise buildings in the BFRS area.

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**BRFS Ref:**

455 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please can you supply me with the following information?

**Registration number:**

**Make:**

**Model:**

of all vehicles currently on your fleet list (both owned/leased) and all vehicles sold between 01/09/2023 and 31/10/2024, within your Fire and Rescue Service.

**Response:**



FOI 455 Disposed vehicles 11.23-10.24.(all vehicles) FOI 11.2



FOI 455 Fleet List

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**BRFS Ref:**

454 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

**1. Contract Register Request:** Please see attached Report (spreadsheet), please note Contract Award Date and Tender Reference as we do not have this information.

I am seeking the full and entirety of the organisation's contract register or database. The register should include the following columns/headings or something similar:

- **Contract Title:** The title of the contract, e.g., "IT Services Contract".
- **Supplier Name:** The name of the organisation providing the goods or services.
- **Estimated Spend (Total or Annual):** [Radio Button] Whether the estimated spend is for the entire contract period or annually.
- **Contract Duration:** The initial term of the contract in months.

- **Total Contract Period:** The total duration of the contract, including any potential extensions.
- **Contract Extensions:** The number of months for any potential extensions.
- **Contract Start Date:** The date the contract officially begins.
- **Contract Expiry Date:** The date the initial contract period ends.
- **Contract Review Date:** The date on which the contract should be reviewed for renewal or extension.
- **Contract Description:** A detailed description of the contract, this could include the purpose, scope, and key terms and conditions.
- **Contact Owner:** The name, job title, main contact number, and email address of the individual responsible for the contract.
- **Contract Notes:** Any additional relevant information, such as specific terms and conditions, risk assessments, or performance metrics.
- **Department:** The department within your organisation that the contract is associated with.
- **Contract Award Date:** The date the contract was awarded.
- **Participating Organisations:** Other organisations involved in the procurement process.
- **Procurement Category:** The category of the procurement, e.g., IT, Facilities, or Professional Services. [I will send you a list of categories]
- **Framework Reference:** The reference number of procurement framework.
- **Central Purchasing Body:** The organisation responsible for the overall procurement.
- **Tender Reference:** The reference number of the tender notice.
- **CPV Codes/Pro-Class/eClass:** Standard classification codes used to categorise public procurement. [Radio Button] On select they should be able to select the classes.

If any of the headings within your contract register has not been provided, please state this within your response.

Please provide the contract's register file in Excel format.

**2. Procurement Strategy Document Request:** Please refer to the information available on our website via the following link: [Procurement Strategy - Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service](#) (This is due for review in 2025.)

- Can the organisation provide a full version of their Procurement Strategy for the fiscal year 2024-2025?
- If the Procurement Strategy is a strategic direction (2022-2025) instead of an annual plan, please provide an update document for 2023-2024. If an update cannot be provided, please provide information on when an update is planned to be published.

We require the full document. If any parts of this document have been removed, please state this within your response.

**3. Contact Details Request:**

- Provide contact details of the person responsible for API or data sharing, including [Name, Job Title, Telephone, Email Address]. - ICT Manager – Tel: 01296 744400 – Email: [InformationGovernance@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:InformationGovernance@bucksfire.gov.uk)
- Provide contact details of the person responsible for the actual contract's register, including [Name, Job Title, Telephone, Email Address]. - Procurement Manager – Tel: 01296 744400 [Procurement@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:Procurement@bucksfire.gov.uk)

**IMPORTANT:**

1. If the organisation has a CRM system or a similar system, ensure there is a facility to download and extract contract data.
2. If providing a weblink to a portal, ensure that all contracts are included, as some organisations may only upload a small portion of their contracts.
3. For organisations planning to make an exemption around spend, clarify that the spend information requested is an overall figure, and a complete breakdown is not required.



Please provide the contract's register file in Excel format: - attached.



FOI 454 Report Nov  
24 - Final.xlsx

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**BRFS Ref:**

453 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 453 bariatric  
rescues response.xls

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**BRFS Ref:**

452 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 452 Residential  
fires response.xlsx

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**BRFS Ref:**

451 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



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BRFS Ref:

450 24/25

Information Request:

1.The current standard policy note that applies to uniformed ('grey book') employees concerning Maternity (which will include the issues *such as* reporting pregnancy; maternity leave; duration of maternity leave and maternity pay), **(attached) and**

2.The current standard policy note that applies to uniformed ('grey book') employees concerning Trade Union leave (which will include issues such as how employees should apply for trade union leave, when trade union leave may be granted, perhaps definitions of trade union leave – **This document is currently in draft form and the Service is engaging with key stakeholder prior to final sign off.**

Response:



Maternity,  
adoption and paren

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BRFS Ref:

449 24/25

Information Request:

I am writing to request fire safety-related information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for all establishments owned by Whitbread within your service area, including but not limited to:

- \* Premier Inn
- \* Hub by Premier Inn
- \* Zip by Premier Inn

- \* Brewers Fayre
- \* Beefeater
- \* Bar & Block
- \* Thyme Bar and Grill
- \* Cookhouse & Pub
- \* Table Table
- \* Any other Whitbread-owned establishments

Specifically, I am requesting the following information:

1. Fire Risk Assessments: Any fire risk assessments held by your service for the aforementioned establishments.
2. Fire Safety Inspections: Details of all fire safety inspections conducted by your service, including the dates, outcomes, and any enforcement or compliance notices issued to these establishments.
3. Fire Incident Reports: Records of any fire incidents, false alarms, or emergency call-outs to any of the Whitbread establishments, including the nature of the incidents, dates, and any follow-up investigations.
4. Fire Safety Systems: Information regarding fire safety systems installed at these establishments (such as alarms, sprinklers, emergency lighting, fire exits, and escape routes) and any concerns or recommendations made by your service.
5. Enforcement and Prohibition Notices: Any enforcement, prohibition, or improvement notices issued by your service to Whitbread establishments for non-compliance with fire safety regulations.
6. Fire Safety Complaints: Any formal complaints received by your service relating to fire safety at Whitbread-owned establishments, including issues such as blocked fire exits, malfunctioning alarms, or evacuation procedures.
7. Cladding and Building Materials: Information regarding the use of cladding or building materials that may pose a fire risk, particularly in multi-story or high-rise Whitbread establishments.
8. Fire Safety Training and Evacuation Drills: Records of fire safety training

sessions or evacuation drills conducted by your service or facilitated for Whitbread establishments.

9. Compliance with Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005: Details of any compliance checks or actions taken under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 for Whitbread establishments, and any records of non-compliance or issues identified by your service.

10. Licensing and Fire Certificates: Information regarding any fire safety certifications or recommendations made by your service for the licensing of these establishments, particularly after refurbishment or significant changes to the buildings.

Response:



FOI 21.10.2024  
updated 11.11.2024.

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BRFS Ref:

448 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



FOI 448 Bonfire  
Night Incidents Res

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BRFS Ref:

447 24/25

Information Request:

Not an FOI.

Response:

N/A

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**BRFS Ref:**

446 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

1. The details of any office accommodation your organisation provides to staff to carry out trade union business. Please include details of:

- space measured in square feet - 107.
- how much of this space is contained within entirely separate buildings (i.e. occupied solely by staff carrying out trade union business) - None, it is use of a shared space.
- whether a professional valuation of the market rental value of the space has been sought either in-house or externally, and if so, what the valuation of the space was – No.
- any charges the council levy for office space given to trade unions - We are not a council, and we do not charge unions for the use of shared office space.

2. Do you deduct trade union subscriptions for any of your employees via payroll (sometimes known as the "check off" system)? – No. If so, do you charge a fee to the trade unions concerned for providing this service? – N/a.

3. With regard to trade union facility time, please provide the total cost of facility time from your pay bill for the financial year 2023/24 and the budget for the current financial year - £110k and £114k. Please also advise the current number of employees that you fund to be union officials, measured as full time equivalents? - 1.8 FTE (For guidance on definitions please refer to the Government's Transparency Code for local government: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-government->

[transparency-code-2015/local-government-transparency-code-2015\)](#)

4. Please advise any estimates for other costs met for those staff on trade union facility time apart from salaries - including travel expenses, office supplies, telephone expenses and energy bills – This is not recorded.

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BRFS Ref:

445 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



FOI 445 Sickness  
days lost per person

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BRFS Ref:

444 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



FOI 444 -  
Response.docx

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BRFS Ref:

443 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

## Response:

### Confidential Waste

The details I require are:

- Has confidential waste being procured via tender or framework or another means? - This service is part of an existing Waste Management contract.
- If a framework, could you confirm the name of the framework please? - N/A.
- Actual contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots) - The total 5-year term value of the Waste Management Contract is £100,000. The confidential waste element of this contract has an estimated annual value of £ 800 – which equates to an estimated total spend on confidential waste during the current 5-year contract term of £4,000.
- Start date & duration of contract – 01/04/2021, 5-year term to 31/03/2026.
- Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension? - The above answer includes the maximum extension period.
- Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed? - The total waste management contract is due to be reviewed towards the end of 2025.
- Who is the procurement officer responsible for this contract and could you provide their email address and phone number please? - Ronda Smith Procurement Manager – [rondasmith@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:rondasmith@bucksfire.gov.uk)
- Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract and could you provide their email address and phone number please? - Gordon Wylie – Property Manager – [gwylie@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:gwylie@bucksfire.gov.uk)
- Who is the current supplier? - Grundon Waste Management Ltd.
- If your current supplier is a Facilities Management/Waste/Cleaning Company, which sub-contractor services your organisation? - N/A.

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BRFS Ref:

442 24/25

Information Request:

Please could you send me the emergency turnout alarm audio file which is played at Aylesbury Fire Station when there is an emergency. Only the alarm no need for the words.

Response:

I'm very sorry, but we have not got the ability to provide an audio clip.

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BRFS Ref:

441 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



FOI 441  
Faulty-False Fire Ala

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BRFS Ref:

440 24/25

Information Request:

Following the CRMP crews are being given the opportunity to come up with alternative shift patterns.

I am reaching out to establish what duty shift systems other Servies are currently using and weather 24's are used and if so how or if these were approved by the union.



**Response:**

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service currently operate a Shift Duty system (2-2-4), a Day-Crewing Duty shift system, an On-call Duty shift system and a Flexible Firefighter Duty Shift System.

We do not operate a 24 hour Shift Duty system.

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**BRFS Ref:**

439 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Planned & Reactive Maintenance Services for Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning:

The details we require are:

\* Previous Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages – The tender process was in 2022. 3 suppliers submitted responses to the tender opportunity. Electrical Services HBB were awarded the contract as per the published Contract Award. The 2 unsuccessful suppliers were HTS (Property & Environment) Ltd and Phosters FM Ltd.

\* Awarded contract value at time of award, as well as Actual spend on this contract (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date - Contract award estimated value £160k - Actual spend is £170k.

\* Start date & duration of contract? - Start date 01/04/2023 – End date 31/03/2025.

\* Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised? – The specification advertised in November 2022 is attached in the document named Appendix A – Statement of Requirements.



\* Will there be an opportunity for us to visit the site? - This is not currently subject of a tender opportunity and therefore no requirement for suppliers to visit sites.

\* Is there an extension clause in the contract and, if so, the duration of the extension? – No.

\* Has a decision been made yet on whether the contract are being either extended or renewed? – No.

\* Please provide the names, Email addresses and works contact phone numbers of the following: Estates Director/Manager, Capital Manager, Sustainability Manager, Energy Manager, Procurement lead, Head of Security and Senior officer (responsible for this contract).

Property Manager/Senior Officer responsible for this Contract: Gordon Wylie – [gwylie@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:gwylie@bucksfire.gov.uk)

Procurement Manager: Ronda Smith – [rondasmith@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:rondasmith@bucksfire.gov.uk)

We do not have a Capital Manager, Sustainability Manager, Energy Manager, Head of Security.

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#### BRFS Ref:

438 24/25

#### Information Request:

Please supply the following information under the Freedom of Information Act/EIR in relation to Fire Service vehicles.

For each of the last three calendar years (1st January 2021 - 31st December 2021, 1st January 2022 - 31st December 2022 and 1st January 2023 - 31st December 2023) and also the first half of this year (1st January 2024 - 31st June 2024):

Q1) How many of your vehicles were damaged by potholes/roads in poor condition? If you can break this down by vehicle type then please do so.

Q2) What was the cost of repairing these vehicles and were any of the costs recovered?

**Response:**

Having checked with our insurance company, they can confirm on checking their incident log back to 2020, there are no recorded incidents of vehicle damage due to potholes or poor road conditions.






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**BRFS Ref:**

437 24/25

**Information Request:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

-  The date of every fire or fire related incident at **Veolia Springfield Farm Quarry, Broad Lane, Beaconsfield, Bucks HP9 1XD** to which the fire brigade was made aware of and / or called to
-  Please provide data for the 10 years between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 and 29<sup>th</sup> August 2024
-  Provide detail on the cause of each fire, the number of fire engines on each occasion and the personnel involved and the time taken to extinguish the fire and to make the area safe
-  Please share any advice Bucks Fire Authority provided to Veolia ES Limited Springfield Quarry to mitigate and avoid future fires and indicate whether the advice was acted upon / implemented
-  Finally, please provide the cost of each incident to Bucks Fire Authority

**Response:**

Incident Ref	Date	Cause	No of Appliances
010734-27062024	27/06/2024	Accidental	9
017844-15082024	15/08/2024	Accidental	6
002521-19042017	19/04/2017	Accidental	3
011412-11072020	11/07/2020	Not known	4

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service do not record the personnel involved or the time taken to extinguish the fire.

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service do not record the cost of each incident.

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#### BRFS Ref:

436 24/25

#### Information Request:

We have been appointed by the insurers of Thames Valley Air Ambulance and Trend BidCo (both Tenants within the building) to carry out a fire investigation into the fire that occurred at Stokenchurch House, Oxford Road, Stokenchurch, Bucks'. HP14 3SX, on the 14th July 2022.

As part of this process I would like to determine what information may be retained on file, and any fees associated with accessing said documents. These documents could include:

- Any Post-fire investigation report, including supporting documents such as witness reports, photos, notes, and statements.
- Pre-fire citations, site visit assessments, fire safety assessments, pre-fire drawings of the facility etc.

**Response:**

The file was extremely big and sent by wetransfer.com.

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**BRFS Ref:**

435 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, could you kindly provide me with the following information please?

**Mobile phones**

1. Who is your current mobile phone provider? - EE Ltd
2. How many mobile connections? - 302
3. When is the contract up for renewal? – 14 November 2026
4. The name and email address of the primary contact for this contract?

[Procurement@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:Procurement@bucksfire.gov.uk)

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**BRFS Ref:**

434 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please provide me with a copy of your latest logo guidelines, branding manual or equivalent document.

**Response:**

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service does not have anything officially launched / published.

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BRFS Ref:

433 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



RED FLEET LIST May  
24 (FOI).xls

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BRFS Ref:

432 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



RED FLEET LIST May  
24 (FOI).xls

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BRFS Ref:

431 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



## BRFS Ref:

430 24/25

## Information Request:

Please see below.

## Response:

Please can you answer the following questions.

1. Do you have AEDs (defibrillators) in your service? - Yes
2. If yes, where are your AEDs stored? (e.g. in Fire vehicles, inside the stations or outside of the station in a cabinet) - Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (BFRS) has AEDs on our frontline fire appliances as well as a few on the outside of some of our fire stations in cabinets.
3. How many AEDs do you have? - BFRS have 35 AEDs (though it does also host AEDs owned by other organisations on some of our fire stations)
4. What make & model are the AEDs please? - The AEDs that BFRS has purchased are the Lifeline AED from Martek.
5. How old are the AEDs or what year were they purchased? - The age of the AEDs are various but BFRS purchased 35 in 2015 and replaces them as they break or cease to work. We have replaced 6 of these between 2020 and 2024.
6. When would you look to replace your AEDs? - BFRS has no plans at present to replace our AEDs other than when they cease to work and no immediate plans to increase our number.
7. Who in your organisation deals with the maintenance of equipment such as AEDs? - The testing and maintenance of the AEDs is undertaken by the respective fire stations in conjunction with our stores department.

8. Who is in charge of purchasing equipment such as AEDs? - BFRS Research and Development Officer in conjunction with stores and our procurement department are responsible for the purchase of AEDs.
9. Where do you purchase AEDs from? - BFRS purchase AEDs from Martek Lifecare

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**BRFS Ref:**

429 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Please provide the following information:

1) Number of completed Expression of Interest forms received for each month from December 2023 to date, broken down by category of:

Current Firefighters

Firefighters who have left the service

Firefighters who have left the service and are in receipt of a pension  
Firefighters who have left the service and in receipt of ill health benefits  
Others.

We have received 98 expressions of interest broken down by month and category as follows:

	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	August
Current	0	2	3	0	1	2	3	0	0
Leavers not part of a scheme/Deferred/	8	17	4	6	4	9	6	3	3
Pensioner members	10	5	5	2	1	3	0	0	0
Ill Health	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



	19	24	12	8	6	14	9	3	3
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2) Historic pay scales for rank/role of Firefighter, LFF - Crew Manager, SubO - Watch Manager for each year from 1975 to 2008.

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, a request for information can be refused where one or more exemptions listed in the Act apply. In this case we are claiming the following exemption: Section 21 – Information accessible by other means. This information can be found using the link below:

[Firefighter pay scales \(fpsregs.org\)](https://www.fpsregs.org/)

3) Numbers and categories of completed calculations sent to applicants to date, broken down by applicant category and month.

BFRS have received 98 requests. Zero calculations have been sent out.

4) Cost of purchasing historic service per £1000 of salary earned for each year from 1975 to 2008 inclusive of tax relief adjustment.



FOI 429 - Q4.xlsx

5) Interest rate to be applied for each year of payable pension arrears from 2006 to 2024.

The calculator provided by the Government Actuary shows limited information on the interest rates applicable to each period.

Regulation 1A of Part 3 of The Firefighters’ Pension Scheme (England)

(Amendment) Order 2014, states the following:

“(8) Where a person joins this Scheme as a special pensioner member and is entitled to a pension under this rule, the authority shall pay to him a lump sum equal to the value, together with interest, of the pension payments (“the past pension payments”) he would have received up to the date of payment of the lump sum if at the date of his retirement he had

been a member of this Scheme who had made contributions equivalent to his contributions under rules 6A and 6B of Part 11 and shall thereafter pay him a special member's ordinary pension.

(9) The interest payable in accordance with paragraph (8) is payable as follows— (a)for the purposes of calculating interest under this paragraph it shall be assumed that the past pension payments were payable from the date that the member reached normal retirement age; (b)interest starts to accrue from the date that the first past pension payment would have been made in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) and ceases to accrue on the date of payment of the lump sum in accordance with paragraph (8) of this rule; (c)interest shall be calculated by applying the past interest rate to the past pension payment compounded monthly between the month each past pension payment would have been made in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) until the date of payment of the lump sum, and for the purposes of this rule “past interest rate” is a rate equivalent to the interest available on the most recent issue of five year fixed interest savings certificates from National Savings and Investments available on the 15th day of each month which would have been applicable to the period when the past pension payment in question would have been made in accordance with sub-paragraph (a)”

6) Number of Expressions of Interest received requesting costs of converting FPS2006 membership to the Modified Pension Arrangements and how many have been completed and sent out.

These are included in Q3 and have not been identified. Zero calculations have been sent out.

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BRFS Ref:

428 24/25

Information Request:

1. How many assaults against firefighters were recorded in each of the last five years, 2019/2020/2021/2022/2023.
2. Could I have a geographic breakdown of where the assaults occurred.
3. Could I have a brief description of the nature of the assault.

Response:

Please see below for our reported incidents of **Actual Violence**:

**2019** Total: 1

Location of incident 1/1: Milton Keynes

Brief description of incident 1/1: Firefighter struck on the leg by a piece of wood thrown by the occupant of a house whilst attending a fire in the open.

**2020** Total: 0

**2021** Total: 2

Location of incident 1/2: High Wycombe

Brief description of incident 1/2: Intoxicated members of the public fighting amongst themselves next to the fire station. Crews intervened with verbal abuse from individuals involved and throwing stones at the crew.

Location of incident 2/2: Milton Keynes

Brief description of incident 2/2: Upon entering the premises, the occupant pushed a suitcase against one of the crew members to move them towards the door of the property and into the staircase.

**2022** Total: 4

Location of incident 1/4: Milton Keynes

Brief description of incident 1/4: Projectile thrown at fire appliance whilst attending an operational incident causing minor damage to offside front locker.

Location of incident 2/4: High Wycombe

Brief description of incident 2/4: Crew attended an AFA, but at the same time there was a police incident occurring by the front door. A local took a few swings with a cutlery fork at a firefighter who raised their helmet in defence to which the individual made contact with.

Location of incident 3/4: Chesham

Brief description of incident 3/4: While enroute to a house fire in Chesham, several fireworks were thrown at the fire appliance.

Location of incident 4/4: High Wycombe

Brief description of incident 4/4: Whilst the crew were attending an incident, several fireworks were thrown towards the crew and the appliance.

**2023 Total: 1**

Location of incident 1/1: Milton Keynes

Brief description of incident 1/1: Whilst the crew were at a house fire, the occupant attacked one of the crew members with a single right hand strike with a vape towards the individual's face. The individual was protected by the visor on their helmet.

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**BRFS Ref:**

427 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

This is an information request relating to Pride Month 2024.

Please include the following information:

Whether any events have been organised for Pride month. If so, please provide the date, start and end time, and title/topic of the event – No events were organised for Pride month.

Whether any LGBT themed merchandise has been purchased for Pride month. i.e. since the beginning of the 2024/25 financial year. If so please provide me with information on what has been purchased and the cost – No Pride related merchandise has been ordered since 1 April 2024.

Whether the organisation have sponsored any Pride events. If so which events and please provide details of the nature of the sponsorship (particularly the financial value) – The organisation has not sponsored any Pride events this year.

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BRFS Ref:

426 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



FOI 426 results.xlsx

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BRFS Ref:

425 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:



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**BRFS Ref:**

424 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

I am requesting the data for the following calendar years, 2019-2024 (until latest available date in 2024):

Q1: How many fires were recorded at suspected or confirmed cannabis factories in your authority, in each year?

Q2: If any, how many fatalities were recorded at each incident?

The data we collect within our incident reports are dictated by the Home Office and does not include any information relating to drug/cannabis factories.

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held.

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**BRFS Ref:**

423 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, for the tax years 2014/15 to 2022/23 inclusive, please would you please fully disclose the following details, breaking the figures by year:

1. How much revenue has been received by your organisation for services

rendered to film and television productions? This could include location rental, permits and all other services related to film productions using your personnel or resources – Zero.

2. Please outline the type of work or service rendered, in each case and disclose the revenue received for each type of service – N/A.

3. How much has your organisation spent on facilitating such arrangements between 2014/15 to 2022/23, inclusive, broken down by year? – Zero.

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**BRFS Ref:**

422 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 422 Results.xlsx

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**BRFS Ref:**

421 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

I would be most grateful if you would provide me with, under the Freedom of Information Act, the following information regarding your estate.

- 1) When did you last undertake a condition survey of your estate? - 2019 due again in December 2025.
- 2) Do you carry out fire risk assessments internally or via an external service provider? – Internally.

- 3) Are your estate site plans current and accurate? – Yes, although several are out currently on review/update.
- 4) Do your estate site plans detail fire compartmentation lines? - In part yes.
- 5) Do you retain an up-to-date list of maintainable M&E assets? - Yes.

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BRFS Ref:

420 24/25

Information Request:

Please can I have the all the reports on the fire in Hazlemere that burned for 35 days. It is the Bellway site off the A404 called Pennwood Grange.

Response:

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BRFS Ref:

419 24/25

Information Request:

Do you hold a database of buildings that are currently being occupied by the live in property guardian scheme?

Response:

No, Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service do not hold this information.

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BRFS Ref:

418 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:





FOI 418 results.xlsx

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**BRFS Ref:**

417 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 417 Ebike fires  
response.xlsx

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**BRFS Ref:**

416 24/25

**Information Request:**



FRS survey  
questions.docx

**Response:**

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**BRFS Ref:**

415 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**



FOI 415.xlsx

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#### BRFS Ref:

414 24/25

#### Information Request:

I have been instructed to carry out a fire investigation of the fire that occurred on 11th March 2023 at Roseberry, Cores End Road, Wooburn Green, Bourne End.

Please can I request if any of the following information is available:

- Any Post-fire investigation report, including supporting documents such as witness reports, photos, notes, and statements.

#### Response:



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#### BRFS Ref:

413 24/25

#### Information Request:

I would like to request for the PDA - Pre Determined Attendance for Bucks Fire which includes the number of appliances and specific equipment and specialist teams for a Emergency Call.

Example

Fire In Field

2 Pumps, Wildfire unit and a water carrier.

#### Response:

This information is not held.

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BRFS Ref:

412 24/25

### Information Request:

1. Total number of fire fatalities for each of the years from 2019 until 2024, split into risk groups, specifying which groups, eg. Hoarding behaviours; inappropriate smoking; people under the influence of alcohol; people who used emollient creams; people who lived alone; ex military. Please provide your response broken down by year.

2. For each of the years from 2019 until 2024, for the 31st March in each year. please provide the number of properties / premises in your area with a Clutter Image Rating (CIR) of 6 or above.

### Response:



For fatalities with  
vulnerability.pdf

The Service only records information on the clutter rating in the Prevention system when a Home Fire Safety Visit is completed for a person.

Clutter rating	Level 6	Level 7	Level 8	Level 9
2019	11	5	4	0
2020	7	4	2	2
2021	16	7	4	5
2022	12	6	2	3
2023	28	29	10	7

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BRFS Ref:

411 24/25

### Information Request:

Please see below.

### Response:

If any, which software solution(s) are used to manage your corporate property/assets, ownerships and occupations, lease agreements and facilities management (CAFM), and who are your current provider(s)? - Prime-I-site covers all of these elements.

What is the start date and duration of the contract(s)? – 4 February 2024 - 3 Years.

Is there an extension clause in the contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension? - option for additional 1 year.

Has a decision been made yet on whether the contract(s) will be extended or renewed? - Contract only commenced 4 February 2024.

What is the annual value of the contract(s)? - £3750 Year 1 and then £3000 in years 2 and 3.

What is the total contract value of each contract? - £9750 with option for year four at £3000

How was the contract(s) procured, e.g., framework/tender? - Three quote process undertaken though our financial regulations required a single quote covering the contract period.

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### BRFS Ref:

410 24/25

### Information Request:

Please see below.

### Response:



FOI 410  
Questionnaire.xlsx

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### BRFS Ref:

409 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

Please can you respond to the following request for Information.

The details I require are:

Spend on Office supplies and associated products for the below financial years.

1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023: £24,873

1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024: £25,239

Start date & duration of Contract? 1 August 2020 for two years plus a 24-month extension (now extended, so current end date is 31 July 2024)

Is there an extension clause in the contract and, if so, the duration of the extension? See above.

Has a decision been made yet on whether the contract is to be either extended or renewed? Expectation is to award a new contract from 2024 to 2026 with the incumbent supplier via a framework.

Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for the contract? This is managed by Procurement.

Name of Incumbent Supplier? Lyreco UK Ltd.

How long have you traded with them? Since 2016.

If you publish your register of contracts and purchasing, can you please provide a website link. [Contracts Register - Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service \(bucksfire.gov.uk\)](https://contractsregister.bucksfire.gov.uk)

In addition, can you confirm if you have a contract in place for Tail End Spend. Not applicable.

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**BRFS Ref:**

408 24/25

**Information Request:**

Please see below.

**Response:**

I want to make a Freedom of Information request, could you please send me the following information with regards to the organisation's Mobile Phones contract.

**You may have received the same request in the past and this information sent has now expired and I require an update as soon as possible for the following information:**

If there is more than one provider, please split all the information including the annual average spend, number of connections, duration, contract dates and internal contact details.

1. Network Provider(s) - Please provide me with the network provider name e.g., EE, Telefonica, Vodafone, Three – EE Ltd.
2. Annual Average Spend for each Network Provider - If this is a new contract, can you please provide the estimated annual spend. - £6,819 per year.
3. Number of Connections- Number of connections for each network provider. (Number of voices only devices, voice and data devices, data only devices) please provide me with the breakdown and not the overall total. – Voice and Data devices = 274 Data only devices = 29 (Total 303).
4. Duration of the contract- please state if the contract also includes contract extensions for each provider. – Initial contract term is 3 years with an option to extend up to a further 24 months.
5. Contract Start Date- please can you provide me with the start date of the signed agreement. Please do not provide me with the framework contract date I require the contract dates of the signed agreement. (if there are multiple start dates, could you please provide me with the earliest date for each provider) - Contract Start Date 15 November 2023.
6. Contract Expiry Date- please can you provide me with the expiry date of the signed agreement. Please do not provide me with the framework contract date. I require the contract dates of the signed agreement. If the contract is rolling, please state. - Initial contract term expiry is 14 November 2026, with an option to extend up to 14 November 2028.
7. Contract Review Date- Please can you provide me with a date when the organisation plans to review this contract. First scheduled review date is 1 April 2026.
8. The person in the organisation responsible for this particular contract. Can you send me the full contact details Contact Name, Job Title, Contact Number and direct email address for each network provider? If full contact details cannot be provided, please send me their actual job title. – Dave Thexton - ICT Manager  
[dthexton@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:dthexton@bucksfire.gov.uk) or Phil Carpenter - Contracts & Procurement Officer  
[procurement@bucksfire.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@bucksfire.gov.uk)

9.If the mobile phone contract is provided by a managed contract, please provide me with the actual name of the network provider along with the number of connections and the internal contact from within the organisation responsible for this contract. - Not Applicable.

Please can you provide me with the latest information- If the organisations are currently out to tender, please can you also state the approx. date of the award along with the information above. – Not Applicable.

Also, if the contract in the response has expired/rolling please can you provide me with further information if available of the organisation's plans going forward with regards to mobiles and the contract status? – Not Applicable.

If this contract was awarded within the past three months, can you please provide me with a shortlist of suppliers that bid on the contract? – Not Applicable.

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BRFS Ref:

407 24/25

Information Request:

The XXX is about to publish our data on maternity pay in fire and rescues services across the UK imminently and want to ensure the most accurate picture since we requested in October 2023.

Can you confirm that your respective policy hasn't changed between the FOI date (Oct 2023) and 31/03/24:

FRS	Region	Q1. What pay does a firefighter receive for first 6 weeks (inclusive) of maternity leave?	Q2. What pay does a firefighter receive for the next 12 weeks (inclusive) of maternity leave?	Q3.What pay does a firefighter receive during for the next 21 weeks (inclusive) of maternity leave?	Q4. What pay does a firefighter receive during for the remaining 13 weeks (inclusive) of maternity leave?	Approx pay
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Buckinghamshire	12	100%	100%	100% (8/26) weeks full pay) then SMP for 13 weeks	NIL	£ 20,355
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Response:

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BRFS Ref:

406 24/25

Information Request:

I am a master's student conducting research on the wildfire events that occurred in the UK during July 2022. I am reaching out to request data under the Freedom of Information Act, regarding wildfires in your FRS district during this period.

Specifically, I am interested in obtaining the following information for the period of July 2022:

1. Location (coordinates) and timing (date and time of day) of the wildfires.
2. Fire size – ideally fire perimeters.
3. Number of resources deployed.
4. Fuel type burned (if available).
5. Impact (e.g. buildings/houses affected, personal injuries, infrastructure, fire service equipment, traffic delays, any evacuations, etc).
6. If/when a major incident was declared.

Any additional insights or recommendations regarding this topic are very much appreciated. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this data request or the research that I will be conducting.

Response:

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BRFS Ref:



Information Request:

I'm doing some research into emergency service crewing and in particular Wholetime Day Crewed Firefighters. If you could answer the following questions below I would be very grateful.

- (1) Do you operate a Wholetime Day-Crewed system within your Service/County? If yes, please refer to the question set below.
- (2) Do WT DC personnel receive either free or subsidised accommodation from the Service within the defined turnout area? If subsidised please provide detail on how this subsidy is calculated including figures.
- (3) Do WT DC personnel not residing in Service housing receive a rent/mortgage allowance? If yes, how is this calculated? Please include figures.
- (4) Do WT DC personnel receive a DC nighttime allowance for responding to incidents when called upon outside of positive hours worked on station? If yes, how is this calculated? Does the NT allowance include payment for turnouts and attendances?
- (5) Do you pay any other allowances that are specific to day-crewed personnel?
- (6) Can you confirm if all benefits/allowances are available to all DC a personnel? If not please provide detail.

Response:

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BRFS Ref:

Information Request:

Im currently putting together my dissertation on construction site fire safety and would like to include stats from each fire service. If you would be so kind to send me

Fires in buildings under construction stats for 2021/2022

Response:

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BRFS Ref:

403 24/25

### Information Request:

I was wondering, due to the recent changes in the fleet since the arrival of the 73 plate pumps, if I could obtain an updated fleet list for Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service that includes Number plates, station, callsign and also appliances in the reserve and training fleet.

### Response:



FOI 403 RED FLEET  
LIST April 24 (FOI).xls

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### BRFS Ref:

402 24/25

### Information Request:

Hi, I am currently undertaking a Phase I Assessment for Wolverton Works (Stratford Rd, Wolverton, Milton Keynes MK12 5NT). Based on my understanding, a fire occurred at the site around 3 years ago and if possible I was hoping to obtain a copy of the fire report. Apologies I don't have a more exact date. Thanks.

### Response:

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### BRFS Ref:

401 24/25

### Information Request:

I'm currently unable to access any of the files available at this page:  
<https://bucksfire.gov.uk/publications/authority-expenditure-over-500-00/>

The file extensions seem to be 'vnd\_.openxmlformats-officedocument.spreadsheetml.sheet'. I've tried to open the files with multiple applications however am still unable to access your data.

Please could you advise me as to how to access the data within the files on this page? Or else please could you provide the data in a machine readable format (preferably csv)?

Response:



FOI 401 Authority  
Expenditure Over £50

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BRFS Ref:

400 24/25

Information Request:

Please see below.

Response:

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