

Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

Please ask for: Service Information Team Leader

Tel: Our ref:

Your ref: N/A

Date: 05 June 2019

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Re: Request for information (our ref: NFRS2019-12-12)

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 07 May 2019. Our response is provided below:

Q1 What was the Service's public relations and marketing budget for each of the following financial years:

- 2014/15
- 2015/16
- 2016/17
- 2017/18
- 2018/19

Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) does not have a dedicated public relations and marketing budget. Publications and marketing material would be arranged at department level depending on Service requirements at the time. They would then be forecasted within an existing department budget.

Q2 For each of the periods mentioned above can you also provide how much was spent on emergency vehicle maintenance in each financial year?

We do not hold the information in the format requested. In NFRS we do not have a separate budget/accounting code for emergency vehicle maintenance. All vehicle repairs are coded through the same accounting code and therefore for each year requested, it would require manual interrogation of each purchase order to obtain the information requested and would therefore exceed the 18 hour limit under the Act.

Q3 Additionally, how many staff are currently employed in marketing, public relations and communications based roles?

Under interoperability, Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) utilise the Corporate Communications Team at Northamptonshire Police who provide the functions requested above. There are 12 members of staff in that team but the team is not purely responsible for NFRS, they also cover Northamptonshire Police.

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Q4 Of those staff, how many earn above £50,000 per year? How many earn above £100,000 per year?

As the Corporate Communications Team at Northamptonshire Police outlined in Q3 are Northamptonshire Police staff and not NFRS, we do not have access to their salaries and this question would need to be redirected to Northamptonshire Police.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference NFRS2019-12-12.

Yours sincerely

Service Information Team Leader

If you are unhappy with the response, you can ask the Service to review it. To do this, please email enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk or alternatively write to the address below:

Service Information Manager Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service Moulton Logistics Centre Moulton Way Northampton NN3 6XJ

If our internal review does not resolve the issue to your complete satisfaction, you have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision at the following address:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF