



Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

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Our Ref:
Your Ref: N/A
Date: 03 April 2019

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Dear

Re: Request for information (our ref: FR156-165)

I am writing in response to your requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 14 February 2019. Our response is provided below:

Q1 How many firefighters have taken their own lives between 2003 and 2017 inclusive?

No firefighters in Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) took their own lives between 2003 and 2017.

Q2 How many firefighters are currently off work sick as a result of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)? And how long has the officer been off sick?

- *Less than six months*
- *Six to twelve months*
- *Twelve to eighteen months*
- *Eighteen months to two years*
- *Two years plus*

No firefighters in NFRS are currently off work sick as a result of PTSD.

Q3 How many firefighters are currently off sick with stress or other mental health condition? And how long has the officer been off sick?

- *Less than six months*
- *Six to twelve months*
- *Twelve to eighteen months*
- *Eighteen months to two years*
- *Two years plus*

Two members of staff are currently off with sickness absences recorded under the category 'stress, anxiety, mental health and depression' and both members of staff have been off less than six months.

Q4 How many staff members are currently applying for ill health retirement or equivalent on the grounds of PTSD?

No staff members in NFRS are currently applying for ill health retirement or equivalent on the grounds of PTSD.

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If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference FR156-165.

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
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Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
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