



## Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

**Please ask for:** Service Information Team Leader  
**Tel:** 01604 797000  
**Our Ref:**  
**Your Ref:** N/A  
**Date:** 12 April 2019  
If you have any difficulty in obtaining the above telephone number please email [enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk).

Dear

### **Re: Request for information (our ref: FR176-186)**

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 16 March 2019. Our response is provided below:

*Q1 I request full details of the advice given by Fire Safety Officers to the Royal and Derngate Theatre Trust regarding allowing mobility scooters into the Royal auditorium. I believe this advice was given at some point in 2018, but I can't be more specific than that.*

This information is not recorded. We have reviewed jobs, media and letters on our Community Fire Risk Management Information System (CFRMIS) for the premise requested and, whilst evacuation would have been discussed on a number of our interactions, no comment or indication was found where any advice had been given with respect to scooters.

If you wish to discuss this in greater detail or discuss the potential cause of your enquiry please contact Scott Richards, Fire Protection Manager: [srichards@northantsfire.gov.uk](mailto:srichards@northantsfire.gov.uk)

*Q2 I understand that there are emergency evacuation guidelines specifically for the entertainment sector, and I would be grateful if you would send me a copy of these.*

Please refer to the following links for relevant guidance:

- Fire safety risk assessment: theatres, cinemas and similar premises: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fire-safety-risk-assessment-theatres-cinemas-and-similar-premises>
- Fire safety risk assessment: means of escape for disabled people: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fire-safety-risk-assessment-means-of-escape-for-disabled-people>

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference FR176-186.



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](mailto: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