



Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

Please ask for: Service Information Team Leader

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Our Ref:

Your Ref: N/A

Date: 30 July 2020

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Re: Request for information (our ref: NFRS2020-193-218)

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 17 June 2020. Our response is provided below:

Q1 How many invoices were paid late (actual number rather than %) and what is the total value of invoices paid late during the financial years 2018/19 and 2019/20?

Please refer to the table provided below:

| Invoices paid late and the total value of invoices paid late | 2018/19 | | 2019/20 | |
|--|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Volume | Value | Volume | Value |
| | 226 | £547,616.45 | 235 | £470,114.27 |

This information has been exported by Local Government Shared Services (LGSS) from their finance system used by Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS). There are a number of variable factors which could result in invoices being paid late; for example, compliant invoices may not be submitted on time but then dates are not adjusted on corrected invoices which would then reflect in the payment being late from the original due date.

Q2 Is this split out by sector / category or can you identify SME suppliers that have been paid late? If so, what are the volumes values during the financial years 2018/19 and 2019/20?

No the invoice figures are not split out by sector/category.

Q3 How many claims have you processed for late payment of invoices? How many claims were successful and how many were rejected (and for what reason)? (Volumes and values of claims) during the financial years 2018/19 and 2019/20?

No claims have been processed for late payment of invoices during the period requested.

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Q4 Do you have a documented process for late payment claims? If so, is this published and can it be shared? In the absence of a process, where should late payment claims be submitted?

We do not have a documented process for late payment claims. Any claims should be submitted either directly to the service area that procured the goods/services or directly to the Accounts Payables team.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference NFRS2020-193-218.

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
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