



Freedom of Information Request FOI 19 17

Primary fires

Query:

I am looking for the following information for all Primary Fires involving Commercial Buildings Only that your Fire Service has attended over the last ten years or so:

Incident Number
Date Of Call
Time Of Call
Address Of Fire
Postcode Of Fire
Easting
Northing
Property Type
First Pump Arriving Attendance Time
Second Pump Arriving Attendance Time
Number Of Pumps Attending
Length Of Fire Brigade Attendance
Time Fire Started
Time Fire Put Out
Fire Alarms?
Sprinklers?
Floor Area Damaged
Main Cause Of Ignition

Response:

Please see attached a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet called “FOI 19 17 Primary fires”, which details primary fires in Dorset from 1 April 2010 onwards and in Wiltshire from 1 April 2009 onwards.

Information about what time each fire started and was put out is not recorded however, a “stop message” field has been included. This is the time at which no further resource is required at the incident. Any other blank spaces within the spreadsheet indicates that the information is not recorded, so we have been unable to provide it.

We have been unable to provide the location details of each incident (address of fire, postcode of fire, easting and northing) as this information could constitute personal data about a third party because it allows the identification of individual properties, in particular those of sole traders. We are applying the exemption afforded by Section 40(2) Personal Information of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which provides that a request for information is exempt if the information requested constitutes personal data about a third party. In particular, we choose to rely upon section 40(3)(a)(i) which provides that in a case where the information falls within the definition of data under Data



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Protection Act 2018 (DPA), the information is exempt if disclosure would contravene any of the data protection principles of the DPA.