



## **Freedom of Information Request FOI 19 99**

### **Fleet list**

#### **Query and response:**

#### **Query:**

Please could you send me a fleet list with the following information in it?

I like if possible, the following information on all your fire engines, cars, vans and any other vehicle you use. I like to know the Call sign, Station where it is the type of application it is the fleet no and reg no. So for a fire engine it would go "01 pump 1 Water Tender Ladder, Dee Road Reading, fleet no A1, reg no A123POL. Officer cars can be area and station number with the fleet no and reg and any other vehicle you have.

#### **Response:**

**Dorset Fire and Rescue Service and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service combined to form Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service on 1 April 2016 so this response covers both Dorset and Wiltshire.**

**Please see attached a current fleet list called "FOI 19 99 Fleet list".**

**Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, a request for information can be refused where one or more exemptions listed in the Act apply. Callsigns have been withheld under section 24 of the Act. Section 24 exempts information for the purpose of safeguarding national security. It is a qualified exemption, which means that it is subject to a public interest test.**

**We acknowledge the public interest in openness and transparency, but we consider that there is also a strong public interest in us protecting national security. As an emergency service, we must ensure that operationally sensitive intelligence is appropriately protected. Releasing detailed information such as callsigns may prejudice our ability to maintain both our own and national security. For this reason, we consider that the public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.**

**Registration numbers of vehicles that are allocated to individual officers have been redacted. 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 from disclosure 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 an absolute exemption if disclosure of the personal data would contravene any of the data protection principles as defined in the Data Protection Act 2018. We are of the opinion that to disclose the requested information could identify an officer who is off duty, which would be unfair and contrary to the first data protection principle.**