

Freedom of Information Request FOI 19 122

Written off vehicles

Query and response:

1. How many of your fire trucks/engines were destroyed (by destroyed I mean damaged beyond economic repair) in 2018/19 following any kind of road traffic accident? What was the make and model of the most expensive vehicle that was written off?

Zero

2. What was the total cost of this damage to your service because of the accidents referred to in Q.1?

Not applicable

3. If you were insured and suffered no direct cost other than through your insurance premiums, please provide me with a figure for the total value of those vehicles when written off.

Not applicable

4. In the 2018/19 financial year, how many claims of compensation were paid to members of the public who were injured in a collision involving one of your vehicles and what was the total amount of the compensation? Please note that members of the public could be a passenger in your vehicle, a pedestrian or the driver/passenger in another vehicle.

Note: The question relates to the date the claim was paid irrespective of when the accident took place or when the claim was made.

There were three compensation claims paid in 2018/19 to members of the public who were injured in a collision involving one of our vehicles.

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. Due to the low numbers involved, we are of the opinion that to disclose the total amount paid in compensation to these three individuals would be unfair and contrary to the first data protection principle.