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Enquiries to: Information Compliance Officer

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Dear ██████████

We are writing in respect of your application for the release of information held by the Service, which we received on 30 April 2024. We can confirm that we have now completed our search for the information requested.

***You asked:***

Please could you provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. Total number of fire fatalities for each of the years from 2019 until 2024, split into risk groups, specifying which groups, eg. Hoarding behaviours; inappropriate smoking; people under the influence of alcohol; people who used emollient creams; people who lived alone; ex military. Please provide your response broken down by year.
2. For each of the years from 2019 until 2024, for the 31st March in each year. please provide the number of properties / premises in your area with a Clutter Image Rating (CIR) of 6 or above.

**Our answer:**

We can confirm we hold most of the information requested, please find the data we are able to provide attached. Please note that we do not hold the data for the Isle of Wight before April 2022 as that is when the Services combined. Therefore, we are unable to provide you with this as per Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In addition, we also do not hold all the risk groups you have requested. Therefore, we have provided you with the categories closest to what you requested.

Please be aware, that each fatality may have been in more than one risk group. Consequently, the number of total fatalities does not correspond to the numbers in each risk group.

We are refusing to provide you with the data for question two for the years 2019 to 2022. We have assessed that it would take over 18 hours to locate the information as it would require a manual check of over 50,000 records. Therefore, we are refusing to provide you with this data per Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Finally, the information for question two only includes information on properties we have visited, not all in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

The above concludes our investigation into this matter.

Any future correspondence with Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service in relation to this matter should be sent to the Information Compliance Officer at the above address.

If for whatever reason you are unhappy with our response you may request an internal review by contacting [DP@hantsfire.gov.uk](mailto:DP@hantsfire.gov.uk) or by writing to the Data Protection Officer at the above address.

Should you remain dissatisfied you can appeal against the internal review decision by contacting the Information Commissioners Office. This can be done online at [www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints](http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints) or by post to The Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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