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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 17 May 2024. We can confirm that we have now completed our search for the information requested.

You asked:

We are writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-scooter incident in 2020*
- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-scooter incident in 2021*
- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-scooter incident in 2022*
- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-scooter incident in 2023*

Additionally, and only if this is categorised separately, can we also request the following:

- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-bike incident in 2020*
- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-bike incident in 2021*

- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-bike incident in 2022*
- *The number of house fires in your area involving and/or caused by an e-bike incident in 2023*

Our answer:

We can confirm that we hold the information requested, please find it below. Please be aware that we do not routinely record when a fire is caused by an electric vehicle. Consequently, we have done this search based on messages sent as part of handling incidents. For e-bikes we have included incidents where a bike/bicycle is mentioned with an indication that it is electric (Electric bike/bicycle, ebike or battery with bike/bicycle is mentioned). Similarly for scooters we have included incidents where scooter is mentioned with some information to suggest that it was electric, mobility scooters are excluded, but motor scooters (where there is no indication of the type of motor) are included.

Year	Number of domestic fires involving electric bikes	Number of domestic fires involving electric/motor scooters (unless other type of fuel is indicated)	
2020	0		1
2021	2		2
2022	2		3
2023	3		4

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 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 or by post to The Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

Information Compliance Officer
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