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Our Reference: FOI 166 23-24

Enquiries to: Information Compliance Officer

## Freedom of Information Act 2000

Dear [REDACTED]

We are writing in respect of your application for the release of information held by the Service, which we received on 14 February. We can confirm that we have now completed our search for the information requested.

### ***You asked:***

*Can I please request, in the form of a spreadsheet such as Excel or CSV file, information on flooding incidents attended by the fire and rescue service. I would like the information to be in relation to flooding incidents caused only by severe weather (heavy rainfall).*

*1. I would like the total number of flooding incidents recorded by the fire and rescue service, broken down by month, for the calendar years 2013 to 16 January 2024*

*2. In a separate tab I would like details of each flooding incident.*

### ***Please include:***

- Date of incident*
- Time of day incident reported*
- Incident duration (minutes)*
- Location (please include longitude and latitude and local authority if available)*
- Total number of buildings affected*
- Total number of dwellings affected*
- Total number of firefighters injured, seriously injured or killed*

## **Our answer:**

We are unable to provide you with information regarding flooding incidents caused only by severe weather as this is not recorded. However, to assist you, please find information relating to all flooding incidents attached.

We were also unable to provide you with the total number of buildings/dwellings affected as this is not recorded on our system. Instead, we have included the property type which states whether a building/dwelling was involved.

We have not included the location, longitude and latitude coordinates of any flooding incident in the requested timeframe. This is because it would enable the identification of individuals which would be unfair within the meaning of the UK GDPR 2018, to do in response to this request. Therefore, we are refusing to provide you with this as per Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Data Protection Act 2018.

Please note that for the Isle of Wight between 2013 and 2016, we have not been able to provide all the information requested. This is because when our services merged in 2021 this data was not provided to us by Isle of Wight Council. We have provided all the information that we hold from this period. Therefore, we are unable to provide you with some of the information requested as per Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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

Information Compliance Officer  
Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service