

Subject **RE: Freedom of Information Act Request Our ref 3751**

From Freedom of Information Act & Data Protection Requests <FOI-DP@avonfire.gov.uk>

To [REDACTED]

Date 2017-01-13 12:58



Dear [REDACTED]

I write in response to your request for information dated 13/01/2017 concerning Control staffing.

Your request for information has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and I can confirm that Avon Fire & Rescue Service holds all of the information falling within the description specified within your request.

1. Number of Watch Managers (Control) = 6
2. Roles/grades senior to Watch Managers (Control), along with the number of personnel at each role/grade:
 - 1 Station Manager (Control)
 - 1 Group Manager (Control)

We are not able to release the names of these officers as Section 40(2) of the FOIA states that information is exempt from disclosure if it constitutes the personal data of a third party and its disclosure under the Act would breach any of the data protection principles or section 10 of the Data Protection Act 1998 ('the DPA').

The definition of personal data is set out in section 1 of the DPA. This provides that, for information to be personal data, it must relate to an individual and that individual must be identifiable from that information.

24. Section 1 of the DPA defines personal data as:

"...data which relate to a living individual who can be identified

a) from those data, or

b) from those data and other information which is in the possession of, or is likely to come into the possession of, the data controller, and includes any expression of opinion about the individual and any indication of the intention of the data controller or any other person in respect of the individual."

25. The two main elements of personal data are that the information must 'relate' to a living person and that the person must be identifiable. Information will relate to a person if it is about them, linked to them, has some biographical significance for them, is used to inform decisions affecting them or has them as its main focus.

I hope that you find the information useful.

Guidance about how we deal with requests for information can be located on our [website](#). AF&RS retain request correspondence for the current financial year plus 3 years.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request an internal review by writing to the Data Protection Officer, Avon Fire & Rescue Service Headquarters, Temple Back, Bristol, BS1 6EU, telephone 0117 9262061, or by emailing FOI-DP@avonfire.gov.uk.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have the right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, telephone 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745. Website www.ico.org.uk. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Thank you for your interest in Avon Fire & Rescue Service.

Kind regards

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 13 January 2017 12:27

To: Freedom of Information Act & Data Protection Requests

Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir/ Madam

1. Please provide the number of Watch Managers (Control) at the Avon Fire and Rescue Service.
2. Please provide the names of all roles/grades senior to Watch Managers (Control), along with the number of personnel at each role/grade.

1 Station Manager (Control)

1 Group Manager (Control)

Regards

[REDACTED]

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