



Freedom of Information Request FOI 20 07

Incidents involving refurbishment works

Query and response:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information:

- 1) The number of fires in your authority which have been reported on refurbishment works, in the last three years leading up to the date of your reply.

Incidents relating to “refurbishment works” are not specifically recorded as such. Instead, we have searched our Incident Recording system for building fires that have occurred where the building has been recorded as “unoccupied – under construction”.

Between 1 January 2017 and 31 December 2019, we attended 19 fires that match this criteria.

- 2) The amount of money your fire authority spent dealing with these fires.

We do not hold information relating to the cost of each incident. We can only advise that on average a crew of five attending an incident for one hour, 10 mile round trip would be approximately £125. This is the average cost associated with either a wholetime crew or an on-call crew attending an incident, including salary costs.