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RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST OF 2 JANUARY 2024

Dear

Please be advised when you write to us asking for information the Freedom of Information Act 2000 gives you two rights of access. You have the right to know whether we hold recorded information falling in scope of your request, and you have the right to receive this recorded information subject to cost limit or exemption. NIFRS has considered your request in line with these obligations, and your response is outlined below.

1. Between 1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023, how many fires were suspected of being caused by faulty e-bike or e-scooter batteries by your fire service?

There were 9 fires suspected of being caused by faulty e-bike or e-scooter batteries in 2023.

2. How many injuries occurred as a result of these fires?

There were 5 people injured as a result of these fires.

3. How many deaths occurred as a result from these fires?

There were no fatalities as a result of these fires.

Review Process

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to Stuart Crawford the Governance, Information & Business Support Services Manager, 1 Seymour Street, Lisburn, BT27 4SX within two calendar months of the date of this letter.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review.

The Information Commissioner contact details are – 3rd Floor 14 Cromac Place Belfast BT7 2JB.

Please visit www.nifrs.org for more information about NIFRS.

Yours sincerely

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