



FOI Request: Animal Rescues 2014 - 2016

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1 FOI Request

1.1 Nature of Request:

1) Please state the amount spent by the fire service on animal rescues in each of the following calendar years:

- a) 2014
- b) 2015
- c) 2016

2) Please state the number of animals rescued by the fire service in each of the following calendar years:

- a) 2014
- b) 2015
- c) 2016

Please provide an annual breakdown by type of animal rescued and brief details about each incident

2 Response

The information below is for the number of Special service incidents that have been classed by Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service (TWFRS) as 'animal assistance incidents' and not the number of animals rescued. TWFRS do not record specific animal types in incidents but group them into categories. The data covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2016.

2.1 Number of Animal Rescues

Between 01/01/2014 and 31/12/2016 TWFRS recorded 294 animal assistance incidents, broken down by year below:

Year	Number of Incidents
2014	94
2015	80
2016	120
Total	294

2.2 Breakdown of Animal Rescues with Location

The table below shows the number of rescues broken down by calendar year with animal category and location of rescue.

Animal Category / Location of Rescue	2014	2015	2016	Total
Domestic e.g. Cat, Dog, Rodents, Horse, Bird, etc.	66	45	80	191
Building	37	18	43	98
<i>Dwelling</i>	30	14	36	80
<i>Non Residential</i>	7	3	6	16
<i>Other Residential</i>	0	1	1	2
Outdoor	22	25	36	83
<i>Grassland, woodland and crops</i>	9	8	14	31
<i>Other outdoors (including land)</i>	6	7	10	23
<i>Outdoor equipment and machinery</i>	0	1	2	3
<i>Outdoor structures</i>	7	9	10	26
Road Vehicle	7	2	1	10
<i>Car</i>	7		1	8
<i>Trailers - Trailer unit (not attached to tractor)</i>	0	1	0	1
<i>Van</i>	0	1	0	1
Livestock e.g. Horse, Cow, Sheep, Goat, Pig, Poultry, Fish, Exotic (Llama/Ostrich), Deer etc.	6	5	7	18
Building	1	0	2	3
<i>Dwelling</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>Non Residential</i>	1	0	2	3
Outdoor	5	5	5	15
<i>Grassland, woodland and crops</i>	2	1	4	7
<i>Other outdoors (including land)</i>	2	4	1	7
<i>Outdoor equipment and machinery</i>	1	0	0	1
<i>Outdoor structures</i>	0	0	0	0
Wild e.g. Horse, Deer, Wildfowl, Game, Aquatic, Exotic etc.	22	30	33	85
Building	13	26	18	57
<i>Dwelling</i>	6	13	11	30
<i>Non Residential</i>	7	13	6	26
<i>Other Residential</i>	0	0	1	1
Outdoor	8	4	15	27
<i>Grassland, woodland and crops</i>	1	1	2	4
<i>Other outdoors (including land)</i>	4	1	8	13
<i>Outdoor equipment and machinery</i>	1	0	1	2
<i>Outdoor structures</i>	2	2	4	8
Road Vehicle	1	0	0	1
<i>Car</i>	1	0	0	1
Total	94	80	120	294

2.3 Cost of Animal Rescues

All charges are per hour, or part thereof, and exclusive of VAT. For some incidents, more than one appliance was required. The table below shows the number of appliances used, number of hours spent, hourly cost and total cost of animal rescues each year.

Year	Number of Appliances	Number of Hours	Hourly Cost	Total Cost
2014	110	131	£285	£37,335
2015	110	125	£291	£36,375
2016	156	192	£305	£58,560
Total	376	448	n/a	£132,270