**Freedom of Information - Humberside Fire and Rescue Service (HFRS)**

**2024-25/032 – Fires in Cannabis Factories**

**The request is:**

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information about fires at cannabis factories, and suspected cannabis factories, within your authority.

I am requesting the data for the following calendar years, 2019-2024 (until latest available date in 2024):

Q1: How many fires were recorded at suspected or confirmed cannabis factories in your authority, in each year?

Q2: If any, how many fatalities were recorded at each incident?

**The response is:**

We do not have a criteria for cannabis factories within the incident recording system, we therefore ran a keyword search for references to ‘cannabis’, ’marijuana’ etc and then filtered the results down to incidents which made references to factories/farms. The results are listed below:

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| **Year** | **Count of Incidents** |
| **2019** | 3 |
| **2020** | 3 |
| **2021** | 2 |
| **2022** | 4 |
| **2023** | 4 |
| **2024** | 1 |
| **Grand Total** | **17** |

Of these 17 incidents there were 0 reported fatalities.

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. A request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this email. If you are not happy with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply direct to the Information Commissioner. The address is: Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

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