**Freedom of Information - Humberside Fire and Rescue Service**

**2024/25 047 – Bariatric Cases**

**The request is:**

I would like to make a Freedom of Information request for the answers to the below questions.

1. How many bariatric cases have your firefighters attended in the following years? By this I mean when firefighters are called for bariatric assistance by emergency services- coming to the aid of people who are otherwise unable to leave their homes due to serious obesity.

2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 (as of receive of this email)

1. For how many of these incidents were more than four vehicles required to attend? Please break this down by year.
2. What was the cost to the fire service of attending these cases?
3. Please break down cost by year 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 (so far). If you cannot provide the data by annual year then please provide it by financial year.

**The response is:**

1. Please see the table below.

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| Year | Bariatric Incident |
| 2021 | 74 |
| 2022 | 95 |
| 2023 | 97 |
| 2024 (25.07.24) | 83 |
| **Grand Total** | **349** |

1. No incidents required 4 Fire and Rescue vehicles to attend.
2. Overall costs totaled: £163625.46. All figures based on current costings from Finance. Calculation =  (crew cost per minute + appliance deployment cost per minute) X number of appliances X number of minutes in attendance.
3. Please see the table below.

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| Year | Cost by Year  (using 2024 costings) |
| 2021 | £25350.05 |
| 2022 | £47841.66 |
| 2023 | £50521.08 |
| 2024 (25.07.24) | £39912.67 |
| **Grand Total** | £163625.46 |

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