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Request:

I am looking for arson incidents the Woodland Walk BR1 5QW over the past decade.

Response:

By way of background, the LFB do not decide if fires are attributed to the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property (arson). This would likely be something done by the Metropolitan police.

However, attending crews do record their supposed cause/motive of **primary fires** on our Incident Management System (IMS). One of the primary fire categories for motive is 'deliberate'. Deliberate fires are those where a fire is suspected to have been started deliberately (but not always with a malicious intent), for example some fires are started by children.

The motive reflects the nature of the 'uncontrolled burning'. For example, whilst a bonfire will be started deliberately, if it gets out of control and sets light to a nearby shed, the motive will be recorded as accidental; the uncontrolled shed fire was an accidental consequence of the bonfire.

The LFB do not record the cause/motive for **secondary fires**. Secondary fires are less serious fires and less information is recorded about these fires. Secondary fires are the majority of outdoor fires including grassland and rubbish fires; unless they involve casualties or rescues, property loss or unless five or more appliances attend. Fires in derelict buildings are recorded as secondary fires.

I have searched our Incident Management System (IMS) and found the following fire incidents attended in Woodland Walk or (and nearby Nubia Way) since 2012:

Type	Postcode	Address	Incident Number	Date of Incident	Description
Fire	BR1 5HY	NUBIA WAY	053562-16042022	16/04/2022	Secondary Fire
Fire	BR1 5QH	WOODLAND WALK, DOWNDERRY ROAD	009060-22012020	22/01/2020	Secondary Fire

Fire	BR1 5HY	NUBIA WAY	065319-25052019	25/05/2019	Secondary Fire
Fire	BR1 5HY	NUBIA WAY	50178141	24/04/2014	Primary Fire
Fire	BR1 5HY	NUBIA WAY	48712131	19/04/2013	Primary Fire

The motive of the secondary fires in the table above is not recorded by the LFB. Neither of the two primary fires were recorded as deliberate.

A full list of incidents attended by the LFB is published via the [London DataStore](https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-incident-records) and can be accessed via this link: <https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-incident-records>. This dataset is updated monthly and contains further details of:

- The type of incident (i.e. fire, false alarm, special service);
- The date/time incident occurred;
- The property type where incident took place (such as dwelling, commercial, car);
- The location of incident (Borough, fire station ground, postcode, USRN, latitude/longitude);
- How long it took first and second fire engine (pump) to arrive at incident;
- Where the fire engine(s) were deployed from;
- The number of fire engines that attended the incident;
- The length of time the fire engines stayed at the incident;
- The notional cost of the LFB attending the incident.

You can use the '*Incident Number*' recorded in the table above to find out these further details about the incidents in Woodland Walk and Nubia Way in this [published information](#).

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>