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Request:

I'm interested in getting some details concerning the New Providence Wharf fire (7 May 2022, LFB Incident Number: 053666-07052021) that was not reported in the official report of the incident. In particular I would like to know:

- 1) the arrival times for each fire appliance (pumps, Turntable ladder, aerial appliances, FIU, CU, etc),
- 2) the identification number of the appliance
- *3)* the number of firefighters associated with each appliance.

The above is the main information I'm interested in. However, I would also be interested in some additional information concerning the two people hospitalised, if available.

- 1) Two people were reported to have been hospitalised, one with minor burns and one for minor smoke inhalation:
 - a) The person with minor burns presumably was from the flat of fire origin, is this correct?
 - b) Where did the person with some inhalation come from?
 - c) Where they also from the flat of fire origin or were they a neighbour?
 - d) How was the smoke inhalation incurred, were they in their flat or had they ventured out into the smoke filled communal areas on the fire floor?
 - e) Was the person with smoke inhalation rescued or had they made their own way out?
- 2) How long were both residents in hospital before they were discharged?

Response:

Please see my response to each of your queries below:

- 1) the arrival times for each fire appliance (pumps, Turntable ladder, aerial appliances, FIU, CU, etc),
- 2) the identification number of the appliance

The LFB publish mobilisation records for all incidents on the London Datastore. These can be accessed via the following link:

https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-mobilisation-records?q=mobil

The dataset contains the details of every fire engine (pumping appliance) sent to an incident and can be filtered to a specific incident using the incident number column (column A).

The dataset includes the identification number of the pump (columns E and P) and the arrival time in column I.

The dataset does not include the mobilisation data for specialist appliances (appliances that are not pumps). Our Data team have provided the table below which records the arrival time for all appliances that attended incident no. 053666-07052021.

LFB Incident number: 053666-07052021							
Time of call	Appliance Code	Appliance Type	Deployed From Station Name	Time Mobilised	Time Mobile	Time Arrived	Attendance Time
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F221	Pump Ladder	Poplar	07/05/2021 08:55:56	07/05/2021 08:56:42	07/05/2021 08:59:32	00:03:36
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F231	Pump Ladder	Millwall	07/05/2021 08:55:56	07/05/2021 08:56:51	07/05/2021 09:02:03	00:06:07
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F451	Pump Ladder	Plaistow	07/05/2021 08:55:56	07/05/2021 08:57:21	07/05/2021 09:02:28	00:06:32
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F331	Pump Ladder	Whitechapel	07/05/2021 08:55:56	07/05/2021 08:56:34	07/05/2021 09:04:24	00:08:28
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Command Unit		07/05/2021 08:58:12	07/05/2021 08:59:33	07/05/2021 09:04:53	00:06:41
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F441	Pump Ladder	East Ham	07/05/2021 08:58:12	07/05/2021 08:59:44	07/05/2021 09:05:17	00:07:05
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F251	Pump Ladder	Shadwell	07/05/2021 08:55:56	07/05/2021 08:57:52	07/05/2021 09:05:29	00:09:33
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F261	Pump Ladder	Bethnal Green	07/05/2021 08:58:12	07/05/2021 08:59:34	07/05/2021 09:07:06	00:08:54
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F211	Pump Ladder	Stratford	07/05/2021 08:58:12	07/05/2021 08:59:37	07/05/2021 09:09:59	00:11:47
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Ops Support Unit		07/05/2021 08:58:12	07/05/2021 09:02:06	07/05/2021 09:12:48	00:14:36
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E341	Pump Ladder	Dockhead	07/05/2021 09:03:24	07/05/2021 09:04:34	07/05/2021 09:17:24	00:14:00
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F282	Pump	Homerton	07/05/2021 09:03:24	07/05/2021 09:07:03	07/05/2021 09:18:18	00:14:54
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Command Unit		07/05/2021 08:58:12	07/05/2021 08:59:46	07/05/2021 09:19:15	00:21:03
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F431	Pump Ladder	Barking	07/05/2021 09:19:52	07/05/2021 09:21:41	07/05/2021 09:25:19	00:05:27

07/05/2021 08:55:56	F291	Pump Ladder	Leyton	07/05/2021 09:16:46	07/05/2021 09:18:05	07/05/2021 09:26:14	00:09:28
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Fire Investigation Unit		07/05/2021 09:01:05	07/05/2021 09:01:15	07/05/2021 09:29:13	00:28:08
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E381	Pump Ladder	New Cross	07/05/2021 09:16:46	07/05/2021 09:18:01	07/05/2021 09:33:38	00:16:52
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A301	Pump Ladder	Islington	07/05/2021 09:16:46	07/05/2021 09:18:10	07/05/2021 09:33:39	00:16:53
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E351	Pump Ladder	Old Kent Road	07/05/2021 09:16:46	07/05/2021 09:17:35	07/05/2021 09:34:39	00:17:53
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A242	Pump	Dowgate	07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:36:39	07/05/2021 09:42:24	00:08:45
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F281	Pump Ladder	Homerton	07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:37:12	07/05/2021 09:43:13	00:09:34
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F432	Pump	Barking	07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:36:14	07/05/2021 09:44:16	00:10:37
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Turntable Ladder		07/05/2021 09:28:35	07/05/2021 09:28:59	07/05/2021 09:44:21	00:15:46
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F301	Pump Ladder	Millwall	07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:49:23	07/05/2021 09:50:27	00:02:10
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Fire Rescue Unit		07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:35:45	07/05/2021 09:51:22	00:17:43
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Fire Rescue Unit		07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:38:49	07/05/2021 09:56:05	00:22:26
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E211	Pump Ladder	Lee Green	07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:41:03	07/05/2021 09:56:09	00:22:30
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A281	Pump Ladder	Dowgate	07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:49:00	07/05/2021 09:57:38	00:09:21
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E291	Pump Ladder	East Greenwich	07/05/2021 09:33:39	07/05/2021 09:38:23	07/05/2021 09:58:33	00:24:54
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Aerial Ladder Platform		07/05/2021 09:29:13	07/05/2021 09:31:59	07/05/2021 09:59:08	00:29:55
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E232	Pump	East Greenwich	07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:49:53	07/05/2021 10:01:05	00:12:48
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A231	Pump Ladder	Euston	07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:49:25	07/05/2021 10:05:30	00:17:13
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A241	Pump Ladder	Soho	07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:49:01	07/05/2021 10:05:58	00:17:41
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Fire Rescue Unit		07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:50:09	07/05/2021 10:13:48	00:25:31
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Command Unit		07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:50:26	07/05/2021 10:24:27	00:36:10
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07/05/2021 08:55:56		Command Unit		07/05/2021 09:45:44	07/05/2021 09:48:22	07/05/2021 10:37:27	00:51:43
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07/05/2021 08:55:56	F362	Pump	Plaistow	07/05/2021 09:48:17	07/05/2021 09:48:44	07/05/2021 11:16:29	01:28:12
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07/05/2021 08:55:56		Incident Support Personnel		07/05/2021 09:32:07	07/05/2021 09:38:14	07/05/2021 11:17:15	01:45:08
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07/05/2021 08:55:56	G341	Pump Ladder	Chelsea	07/05/2021 11:51:15	07/05/2021 11:54:35	07/05/2021 12:46:33	00:55:18
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A431	Pump Ladder	Kentish Town	07/05/2021 11:51:15	07/05/2021 12:53:37	07/05/2021 12:53:45	01:02:30
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A391	Pump Ladder	Finchley	07/05/2021 11:51:15	07/05/2021 11:54:22	07/05/2021 12:54:13	01:02:58
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E361	Pump Ladder	Deptford	07/05/2021 11:51:15	07/05/2021 12:17:58	07/05/2021 12:55:27	01:04:12
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A352	Pump	Enfield	07/05/2021 11:51:15	07/05/2021 12:11:36	07/05/2021 12:56:22	01:05:07
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Turntable Ladder		07/05/2021 13:03:40	07/05/2021 13:15:23	07/05/2021 13:26:05	00:22:25
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A401	Pump Ladder	Hendon	07/05/2021 12:51:35	07/05/2021 12:53:22	07/05/2021 13:57:24	01:05:49
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Equipment Lorry		07/05/2021 10:46:25	07/05/2021 16:14:09	07/05/2021 16:14:11	05:27:46
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F422	Pump	llford	07/05/2021 16:11:16	07/05/2021 16:42:37	07/05/2021 17:07:25	00:56:09
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Command Unit		07/05/2021 15:41:46	07/05/2021 15:56:45	07/05/2021 17:09:15	01:27:29
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F321	Pump Ladder	Stoke Newington	07/05/2021 16:11:16	07/05/2021 16:33:16	07/05/2021 17:15:20	01:04:04
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F362	Pump	Walthamstow	07/05/2021 16:11:16	07/05/2021 16:13:41	07/05/2021 17:27:12	01:15:56
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F282	Pump	Homerton	07/05/2021 16:11:16	07/05/2021 16:33:47	07/05/2021 17:44:23	01:33:07
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F412	Pump	Dagenham	07/05/2021 20:26:58	07/05/2021 20:39:55	07/05/2021 21:00:50	00:33:52
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A431	Pump Ladder	Kentish Town	07/05/2021 20:26:58	07/05/2021 20:41:56	07/05/2021 21:24:43	00:57:45
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F432	Pump	Barking	08/05/2021 00:37:21	08/05/2021 00:39:36	08/05/2021 00:54:56	00:17:35
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E231	Pump Ladder	East Greenwich	08/05/2021 00:37:21	08/05/2021 00:44:12	08/05/2021 00:57:52	00:20:31
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F361	Pump Ladder	Walthamstow	08/05/2021 03:15:01	08/05/2021 03:17:24	08/05/2021 03:53:14	00:38:13
07/05/2021 08:55:56	A242	Pump	Soho	08/05/2021 03:15:01	08/05/2021 03:30:33	08/05/2021 04:03:11	00:48:10
07/05/2021 08:55:56	F282	Pump	Homerton	08/05/2021 06:31:53	08/05/2021 06:40:41	08/05/2021 06:53:16	00:21:23

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07/05/2021 08:55:56	F322	Pump	Stoke Newington	08/05/2021 09:44:48	08/05/2021 09:59:39	08/05/2021 10:30:30	00:45:42
07/05/2021 08:55:56	E232	Pump	East Greenwich	08/05/2021 13:50:03	08/05/2021 13:53:39	08/05/2021 14:08:56	00:18:53
07/05/2021 08:55:56		Turntable Ladder		10/05/2021 11:33:59	10/05/2021 11:35:57	10/05/2021 11:52:45	00:18:46

You will note that the appliance code (identification number) and deployed from station is not included for the specialist appliances.

As you are no doubt aware, the appliance code (callsign) of a vehicle corresponds to a specific LFB fire station. If we release the callsigns for a more specialised vehicles this can be used to determine their base location.

We do not publish a combined list of vehicle type and vehicle locations (either through our <u>fleet list</u> or <u>mobilisation data</u>). We do not typically provide a detailed breakdown where LFB vehicles are located as, unfortunately, they can be targeted for theft.

As such, I would consider providing any further details about the callsigns/location of any LFB vehicles (other than pumping appliances) exempt from disclosure under the FOI act under section 31(1)(a) - Law enforcement. Section 31 is a qualified exemption and I must consider the public interests for and against disclosure. It is sadly the case that fire stations and appliances are targets for crime and the loss of equipment prevents the LFB from carrying out its public safety duties. I am therefore of the view that it is in the public interest not to disclose information at the detailed level you have requested.

3) the number of firefighters associated with each appliance.

The LFB publish details of the normal crewing levels for each main type of LFB appliance on our website. This can be accessed via the following link:

https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/media/5958/staffing-and-riders-at-fire-stations-september-2021.pdf

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 - c) Where they also from the flat of fire origin or were they a neighbour?
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 - e) Was the person with smoke inhalation rescued or had they made their own way out?

The preliminary fire report is published and accessible on the LFB website here: <u>https://london-fire.gov.uk/media/5816/london-fire-brigade-preliminary-fire-investigation-report-053666-07052021-new-providence-wharf-redacted.pdf</u>

This states that: "Two persons were taken to hospital, one with minor burns (occupant from the flat of origin) and one with minor smoke inhalation".

The LFB plan to publish a final version of the fire report for incident number 053666-07052021 on our website. This will include some further basic details about the rescued persons from the block.

As this information will be published on the LFB website we are not obliged, under section 22 of the FOIA, to provide information that is intended for future publication.

Section 22 is a qualified exemption. This means that, even if the requested information falls within it, the I must go on to consider whether the public interest in maintaining the exemption is greater than the public interest in disclosing the information. As the information is of interest to the wider public it is important it can be accessed simultaneously by the general public rather than piecemeal by disclosure to a small number of individuals under the FOIA. Therefore it is in the wider interest that information is accessible to the public by adhering to the publication schedule and, as such, is withheld from disclosure at this current time.

2) How long were both residents in hospital before they were discharged?

The LFB would not hold this information. You may wish to approach the London Ambulance Service (LAS) to see if they hold this.

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: <u>https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/</u>