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Request:

I know over the last few years there have been issues with the fire alarm system and I am concerned about the number of false alarms the LFB may be receiving and whether the LFB are now fining the building owners for false call outs.

It would be helpful for me to have stats so I can raise this matter internally at the council.

The building has a number of different names so could come under following search terms

Petticoat Tower

Petticoat Square

Middlesex Street Estate

There are a range of different postcodes but all start in E1. It is the same building but different parts have different names. The overall estate is called Middlesex Street Estate.

Response:

I have searched our Incident Management System records for any AFA (Automatic Fire Alarm) false alarm incidents recorded for "Petticoat Tower", "Petticoat Square" and "Middlesex Street".

The two tables provided below show the number of AFA (Automatic Fire Alarm) false alarm incidents attended at these addresses since the year 2000 (as far as our electronic records go back to).

The LFB do not currently make a charge to recover the cost of attending persistent false alarm calls. Further information about responding to false alarms can be found on the LFB website here: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/services-and-facilities/false-alarms-and-lift-calls/responding-to-fire-alarms/>

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](#).

Number of AFA (Automatic Fire Alarm) false alarm incidents attended by the LFB	Year																		
Petticoat Square and Petticoat Tower	2001	2002	2003	2004	2006	2007	2009	2011	2012	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Grand Total	
BASEMENT CAR PARKING SPACES, PETTICOAT SQUARE														1				1	
BIN STORES, PETTICOAT TOWER													1	1	1	2	1	6	
PETTICOAT SQUARE		1	1	1	1	1	1		3	1	1	2	4	2	2			21	
PETTICOAT TOWER	1						2	1	1		5		1	3	19	6	3	42	
SITE BOUNDARY PETTICOAT SQUARE																	1	1	
STREET RECORD, PETTICOAT SQUARE											1							1	
Grand Total	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	4	1	7	2	6	7	22	8	5	72	

Number of AFA (Automatic Fire Alarm) false alarm incidents attended by the LFB	Year																									
Middlesex Street	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Grand Total		
100 MIDDLESEX STREET															1										1	
102 MIDDLESEX STREET														1	2	2	6	7	1	1			1	1	22	
109-117 MIDDLESEX STREET				2																					2	
110 MIDDLESEX STREET															3	3	2	1	1	9	3				22	
110-116 MIDDLESEX STREET																2			2	1					5	
112 MIDDLESEX STREET	3												1		2	2	2	1	2						13	
114 MIDDLESEX STREET	5	1	3	4	1				1	3	1		4		1	4	1		3	2					34	
118 MIDDLESEX STREET								1	1																2	
118 MIDDLESEX STREET, LONDON, CITY OF LONDON, E1 7HY														1											1	
119-121 MIDDLESEX STREET	2								1																3	
120 MIDDLESEX STREET			1	1			1					1		1	1		2					1			9	
124 MIDDLESEX STREET	1																								1	
125-129 MIDDLESEX STREET																				1					1	
126 MIDDLESEX STREET																	1								1	
131A MIDDLESEX STREET																			1						1	
133 MIDDLESEX STREET				1																					1	
20 MIDDLESEX STREET																					1		1		2	
3 MIDDLESEX STREET																					1	1			2	
40-42 MIDDLESEX STREET	1																								1	
46A MIDDLESEX STREET																			1						1	
56 MIDDLESEX STREET					1																				1	
64 MIDDLESEX STREET																						1			1	
74-80 MIDDLESEX STREET				1																					1	
75 MIDDLESEX STREET									1																1	
76 MIDDLESEX STREET																			1						1	
80 MIDDLESEX STREET									1		1		1	1		1		1	4		2	1			13	
84 MIDDLESEX STREET			1														1		1	1	1				5	
88-90 MIDDLESEX STREET						1																			1	
92 MIDDLESEX STREET									1				1												2	
ARTISAN HOUSE, 36 MIDDLESEX STREET																				1					1	
ASTRAL HOUSE, 129 MIDDLESEX STREET				5	3	3	1		1	1				1	1				2						18	
VICTORIA HOUSE, 123 MIDDLESEX STREET																		1				1			2	
Grand Total	12	1	5	14	5	4	2	1	6	5	2	1	7	5	11	12	17	13	15	17	9	6	2	172		