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**Request:**

Last year you supplied me with a response to the following question [Your Ref: 7614.1]. Please could you update the answers and supply data in relation to Question 4 which was omitted in your previous response.

1. How many fire service employees have been diagnosed by your occupational health service, or other such body, as suffering from PTSD as a result of their work connected with the fire at Grenfell Tower? How many of these were (a) firefighters and (b) control/telephone/999 staff.
2. How many days off work have (i) firefighters, and (ii) control/telephone/999 staff, taken as a result of mental health issues which have been attributed to their work in and around the fire at Grenfell?
3. How many (i) firefighters and (ii) control/telephone/999 staff have been retired on ill-health grounds as a result of mental health issues associated with their work in and around Grenfell?
4. How much compensation has been paid by you to (i) firefighters and (ii) control/telephone/999 staff who suffered trauma, be it physical or mental, as a result of their work in and around Grenfell?

**Response:**

1. How many fire service employees have been diagnosed by your occupational health service, or other such body, as suffering from PTSD as a result of their work connected with the fire at Grenfell Tower? How many of these were (a) firefighters and (b) control/telephone/999 staff.

(a) 23 (b) 3

This is based on number of staff who:

- Since 14 June 2017, have had (i) at least one sickness case categorised “Stress, Anxiety or Depression”, with the subcategory recorded as either as “PTSD” or “Adverse Trauma Response”, or (ii) have had a Due to Service sickness absence that has been acknowledged by panel as PTSD.
- Excludes any sickness cases for which the cause of sickness is recorded as “non-work related”.
- There is either (i) specific mention of Grenfell in the Individual Contact Record notes; or (ii) have a due to service case been acknowledged as having a mental health condition caused by Grenfell.

2. How many days off work have (i) firefighters, and (ii) control/telephone/999 staff, taken as a result of mental health issues which have been attributed to their work in and around the fire at Grenfell?

(i) 6883 (ii) 446

This based on sickness cases where:

- Sickness has commenced since 14 June 2017, and has been categorised as “Stress, Anxiety or Depression”.
- Excludes any sickness cases for which the cause of sickness is recorded as “non-work related”.
- There is either (i) specific mention of Grenfell in the Individual Contact Record notes; or (ii) have a due to service case been acknowledged as having a mental health condition caused by Grenfell.
- The figures above represent the total lost working days for each occupational group.

3. How many (i) firefighters and (ii) control/telephone/999 staff have been retired on ill-health grounds as a result of mental health issues associated with their work in and around Grenfell?

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4. How much compensation has been paid by you to (i) firefighters and (ii) control/telephone/999 staff who suffered trauma, be it physical or mental, as a result of their work in and around Grenfell?

The compensation settlement figure of £20 million (including legal costs) for emergency responder claims has been reported publicly. There were several Defendants that contributed to that figure including the London Fire Brigade. The compensation figure is global and has not been broken down to the individual contributions made to the global settlement figure by the ‘Defendants’.

Individual settlement figures are subject to legal professional privilege and therefore cannot be shared in the public domain. We believe this information is exempt from disclosure of such figures are exempt under [section 42 \(1\) of the FOIA - Legal professional privilege](#)

The LFB published a report pertaining to the Grenfell settlement [here](#)

You may also find it useful to read the report [Settlement of Emergency Responders - Firefighters claims](#) published by the Royal borough of Kensington and Chelsea.

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](#).