

**Freedom of Information request reference number:** 8322.1

**Date of response:** 21/02/2024

**Request:**

Under the freedom of information request would you be able to provide me with the following.

1. How many incidents Soho's pump, pump ladder and TL each attended in 2022 and 2023.

2. What are LFB's PDA's for following incident types:

AFA  
High Rise Fire  
Non High Rise Flat Fire  
House Fire  
Lift Rescue  
RTC Persons Trapped  
Report of a Domestic Smoke Alarm sounding from a property.  
Carbon monoxide alarm sounding  
Gas Leak/alarm.

3. What height of property do LFB class as. High rise

4. Do Fire Rescue units provide both water rescue and rope rescue or just one or the other.

**Response:**

1. *How many incidents Soho's pump, pump ladder and TL each attended in 2022 and 2023.*

With regards to your request, this information can be found on the [London Datastore](#). The details for LFB mobilisation records can be found at the following link here:

<https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-mobilisation-records>. If you download the data, you can filter column 'B' for the year and column 'P' for the station (Soho).

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The LFB PDA's are published in policy number '0412 – Mobilising policy'. A redacted version of policy number '0412 - mobilising policy', was provided to the Grenfell Tower inquiry and can be accessed via the following link: [Exhibit - LFB Mobilising Policy 412 Reviewed 15 July 2016 - LFB00001531 | Grenfell Tower Inquiry](#)

We consider the redacted information you are seeking, from this policy, exempt from disclosure under the FOIA via [Section 24 – National Security](#). Although we believe this exemption applies, the Brigade is required, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), to consider the public interest. This requires us to consider whether the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it. Whilst we acknowledge there is a public interest in knowing that the London Fire Brigade has adequate procedures in place to deal with any emergency incident involving public safety, the disclosure of these details would, or would be likely to, provide anyone wanting to carry out acts of terrorism with a detailed plan of our pre-planned emergency response and in turn damage the Brigade's ability to respond efficiently and effectively, and placing public safety at risk. It is for this reason we conclude that the public interest in withholding the information, outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

### *3. What height of property do LFB class as. High rise*

For purposes of Fire Safety, LFB now work to the definition set out in the Building Safety Act 2022 for a high rise which is "at least 18 metres in height or have at least 7 storeys". It should be noted that the 18m height is to the floor height of the highest storey, not to the ceiling/roof.

### *4. Do Fire Rescue units provide both water rescue and rope rescue or just one or the other.*

Our Technical Rescue Fire Rescue Units (FRUs) provide water rescue and rope rescue. Information can be found on the LFB website here: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/what-we-do/respond-to-emergencies/>

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/>