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Request:

According to a report of a London Assembly hearing with the commissioner, 13 staff have been dismissed since the report in November 2022. Please can you outline the dates they were dismissed and what the dismissals were for. Given foi answer 8050.1 I am struggling to work out how in two weeks the number of people sacked has gone from two to 13.

Response:

Further to your request, I can confirm that reference was made at a London Assembly Hearing to 13 staff members having left the LFB. The External Complaints Service was launched after the publication of the Independent Cultural review. As a result, this has led to some internal and external investigations. Further information can be found at the following link here: https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/improving-our-workplace-culture/external-complaints-service-for-staff/

The above link provides details of 13 staff members leaving LFB while in the disciplinary process. This includes six dismissals and seven staff whom resigned prior to the stage 3 hearing. I have also confirmed this with the correct department. The LFB does hold the data you have requested showing which months and dates the 13 staff left the LFB. However, this data is exempt from release as it is less than 5 for each month and individuals could therefore be identifiable.

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/