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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI733017086

Thank you for your request for information relating to Pothole Data.

You have requested the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am requesting the following information related to potholes within your council jurisdiction:

- 1. Total Number of Reported Potholes, broken down by:
- o Year and Month: From January 2019 to the most recent available data.

Please see the table for numbers of carriageway pothole enquiries received.

| | | POTHOLE ENQUIRIES RECEIVED | | | | | | |
|-----------|------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|---------------------|--|
| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | |
| January | 95 | 329 | 163 | 127 | 234 | 218 | 195 | |
| February | 112 | 312 | 247 | 157 | 129 | 331 | 299 | |
| March | 126 | 247 | 277 | 210 | 432 | 294 | 308 | |
| April | 77 | 64 | 192 | 124 | 477 | 208 | 193 | |
| May | 77 | 51 | 186 | 115 | 350 | 204 | 121 | |
| June | 74 | 57 | 193 | 85 | 164 | 95 | 85 | |
| July | 56 | 73 | 131 | 40 | 93 | 98 | 83 (up to 29.07.25) | |
| August | 45 | 71 | 80 | 52 | 125 | 86 | | |
| September | 38 | 63 | 69 | 40 | 96 | 60 | | |
| October | 53 | 48 | 77 | 53 | 94 | 137 | | |
| November | 89 | 79 | 57 | 77 | 105 | 55 | | |
| December | 165 | 72 | 82 | 54 | 118 | 79 | | |
| TOTAL | 1007 | 1466 | 1754 | 1134 | 2417 | 1865 | 1284 | |

Please note the below figures are for the number of carriageway pothole enquiries received, not the number of potholes reported, as each enquiry may have multiple potholes on it. Not all potholes reported by members of the public will result in jobs being raised for repair as not all of the defects reported will be at intervention level.

2. Annual Expenditure on Pothole Repairs, including:

o Total Amount Spent: For each year from 2019 to the present.

o Monthly Breakdown: If available.

| Financial Year | Actuals | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| | £ | | | | |
| 2019-20 | 1,311,386 | | | | |
| 2020-21 | 1,247,713 | | | | |
| 2021-22 | 1,505,181 | | | | |
| 2022-23 | 2,301,100 | | | | |
| 2023-24 | 1,759,281 | | | | |
| 2024-25 | 1,707,178 | | | | |

The budget allocation for 2024/25 financial year was £1,391,352 which is not solely for the purpose of potholes but includes other road maintenance such as general patching work.

3. Compensation Claims Related to Pothole Injuries:

- o Number of Claims Received: Broken down by year and month from 2019 onwards.
- o Number of Claims Approved and Compensation Paid Out: Including total amounts per year and month.
- o Average time taken to repair reported potholes.

Please see attached document. We confirm as per Section 1(1) of the Act that we do not hold the average time taken to repair potholes. This is not recorded.

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Yours faithfully

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