



My Ref: FOI/ 4633
Enquiries to: Information Requests
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Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

1, I would like to make an application for the following information in relation to the speed cushions and traffic calming measures installed along High St and Rotherham Rd Gt Houghton specifically the following. How many instances since Jan 2020 have complaints being logged and recorded regarding damage/ repairs required either to the speed cushions or traffic calming measures and the cost of these repairs.

Rotherham Road = 26 requests
High Street = 50 requests

2, Including man hours How many times since Jan 2020 have complaints being logged and recorded regarding damage to vehicles and the cost of these repairs.

This information is not held by the Authority.

3, Who, when and how are the speed cushions and other traffic calming measures inspected monitored and maintained since Jan 2020.

Speed cushions are inspected as part of our statutory inspections on a monthly basis.

4, A copy of the reports is also requested for same time period if available as above as do all requests.

This information is attached to this response.

5, If reports are unavailable how can these be accessed?

N/A

6, Also the cost of carrying out the inspections including man hours cost.

This information is not held by the Authority.

7, Regarding comments issued by Highways regarding alternative solutions it mentioned that emergency vehicles and public transport the current speed

cushions were more suitable for their comfort! How was this information gathered and by what measure?

In the UK, speed cushions are subject to regulations outlined in the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1996 and Traffic Advisory Leaflet 1/98. These regulations specify dimensions, placement, and other factors to ensure safety and effectiveness.

8, Also where was this recorded? A copy is also requested.

A copy of Department for Transport document Traffic Advisory Leaflet 1/98 is attached.

9, How many accidents or damage involving pedestrians, motorists or vehicles have been reported along Rotherham Rd and High street Gt Houghton I look forward to received your reply

Road traffic collision and casualty data is recorded by police forces across Great Britain and is known as STATS 19 data. The STATS 19 data is then fed centrally to the Department for Transport (DfT) database. South Yorkshire Police share the STATS 19 data with the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership and the Local Authorities within that partnership. STATS 19 data does not contain information on every collision that occurs on the road. A Personal Injury Collision (PIC) is recorded when;

- The collision resulted in injury to one or more of the participants (excluding death due to natural causes or confirmed suicide).
- It involved at least one vehicle (including non-motorised vehicles and horses with a rider).
- The collision happened on the public highway.
- The collision was reported to the Police within 30 days of the event.

The STATS 19 data is released only once a year by the DfT. The data is published usually mid-way through the following year, but it may take longer to release as it has to go through rigorous validation processes to ensure high quality and accuracy. Until this point the data is considered provisional and is subject to change. Only after the validation processes are complete will the latest available STATS 19 data be published by the DfT.

The Council's Traffic Group has a statutory duty to analyse the STATS 19 data to ascertain the priority sites for concern on an annual basis. This data records information about the collision including time, date, location, weather, and other causation factors that contributed to the collision. The data is analysed by officers to see if there are any concerns as to the frequency and nature of the collisions. All causation factors are thoroughly investigated and, if necessary, any improvement works are designed and programmed accordingly.

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This type of collision investigation work forms part of the routine annual workload of the Traffic Group. The criteria for sites for concern are a total of six or more PICs within a 50m radius during the most recent 3-year period. We have reviewed the collision data for B6273 High Street / Rotherham Road between 63 Rotherham Road and Lister Row. There have been three recorded slight PICs in the 5-year period from 01/01/2020 to 31/12/2024, which is the latest period we have validated data for. Details as follows:

1. 11th March 2021, High Street / Thurnscoe Lane, single vehicle (car), 1 slight injury to vehicle occupant.
2. 9th June 2021, High Street / Woodlands View, 3 vehicles (cars), 1 slight injury to vehicle occupant.
3. 25th September 2024, High Street / Mount Avenue, car and pedestrian, 1 slight injury to pedestrian.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

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Information Requests Team
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Barnsley
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email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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