

Environmental Information Regulations – Response - 27083

Please can you provide the following information:

Q1. How many personal injury claims from pedestrians where potholes were stated as the cause were brought against your local authority in the following years: 2023, 2024, 2025?

See table below relating to the numbers of carriageway and footway non-motor vehicle injury claim incidents occurring between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2025 each calendar year, irrelevant of the date of receipt or settled. These include potholes, or similar downward erosion, but excludes slabs, blocks, ironworks, etc level differences.

Year	Number received
2023	40
2024	33
2025	23

Q2. Relating to Q1, how many of those claims were settled by the council in each year: 2023, 2024, 2025?

See table below in relation to Q1.

Year	Number Paid
2023	1
2024	1
2025	0

Q3. What is the total sum paid by your local authority for personal injury claims where potholes were stated as the cause in each year: 2023, 2024 and 2025?

See table below in relation to Q1 and Q2. Payments made include any of compensation, claimant legal costs, defence legal costs and other costs associated with claims and their representation. Due to the manner in which the system has historically recorded data, settled claim values are recorded inclusive of costs, which are not possible to readily disaggregate.

Year	Sum Paid
2023	£4,800
2024	£6,603
2025	£0