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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 1243/25 Fireworks Incidents

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 21st August 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1. The number of anti-social behaviour incidents related to fireworks recorded by your force in the year 2024.*
- 2. The number of incidents involving animals related to fireworks recorded by your force in the year 2024. This may include reports of injury, distress, or danger to animals caused by fireworks.*
- 3. For both categories above, please provide a breakdown of incidents recorded specifically in October 2024 and November 2024.*

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case I have today decided to disclose this to you.

Please note: The information provided has been extracted from Cumbria Constabulary's crime recording system. A keyword search was conducted using the term "Firework". A keyword search may not accurately identify all information held by the Constabulary. If, for example, the words were recorded in a different field, or if another name or term was used, any such records would not be identified by the keyword search which has been undertaken.

Question 1.

There were 50 ASB incidents with keyword 'firework' mentioned in 2024.

Question 2.

Please note: The keyword search using the term 'firework' was conducted then the results were manually checked for any mention of animals in the log.

There were two incidents with keyword 'firework' involving animals in 2024 (one was included in the ASB category of incidents in Question 1).

Question 3.

Please note: The two incidents mentioned in Question 2 are included in this table of data, one was ASB (in Nov) and one was Pets Domesticated (in Oct).



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Breakdown of ASB/Animal incidents with keyword 'firework' in Oct & Nov 2024.

Incident Type	Oct	Nov
ASB Total	18	24
ASB - ENVIRONMENTAL		3
ASB - NUISANCE	17	21
ASB - PERSONAL	1	
Public Safety and Welfare Total	1	
PETS DOMESTICATED/WILDLIFE	1	
Grand Total	19	24

Please note: If an ASB incident results in a more serious crime, then it is recorded under incident type 'Crime'.

Incidents recorded in Oct & Nov 2024 with keyword 'firework' not recorded under incident type 'ASB'.

Incident Type	Oct	Nov
Crime Total	3	4
DAMAGE - CRIMINAL OTHER	1	1
DAMAGE - CRIMINAL VEHICLES		1
HARASSMENT/CRIMINAL		1
OTHER CRIME	1	
PUBLIC ORDER-OFFENCE AGAINST	1	1
Grand Total	3	4

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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