



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

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REQUEST

Please could you disclose, under the Freedom of Information Act, the Fire and Rescue Service's risk assessment (or equivalent) including the likelihood of a wildfire starting on the Staffordshire Moorlands reaching the centre of Stoke on Trent.

RESPONSE

Most recorded wild fires are statistically under 1 hectare not only because of relatively small discontinuous patchwork of fuels but because of early Fire and Rescue Service intervention and suppression. For this reason and due to the urban rural interface from the Staffordshire Moorlands to Stoke On Trent this would mean that the likelihood of a wildfire passing from one area to the other would be improbable.

We identify and assess all foreseeable Fire and Rescue related risks across Staffordshire and use this information to plan how to control these risks, respond to emergencies and deliver our fire prevention and protection activities in the most efficient and effective way. This means we can make sure we have the right people and resources in the right places at the right time to protect our communities, our buildings, our people and the environment

For wildfire we complete site visits for local sites and produce risk information documents collating site specific information which enables us to plan and put key control measures in place. We cannot share these specific documents due to GDPR as they contain personal information regarding land owners and managers.

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