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We are collecting information about the number of staff employed by fire and rescue services. Below is the information we would like to obtain from you under the Freedom of Information Act.

Specifically we would like to know how many (a) wholetime firefighter, (b) retained firefighter, (c) fire control room, (d) support staff and (e) total staff there were employed in your Fire and Rescue Service, measured by headcount, on 31 March 2017 and 31 March 2018.

We would appreciate a table for the respective years detailing the data in the following format:

1) How many people were employed by the fire and rescue service (headcount) in the following roles on 31 March 2017:

	Headcount	
Wholetime	743	
Retained	466	
Control	45	
Support	283	
Total	1,537	

2) How many people were employed by the fire and rescue service (headcount) in the following roles on 31 March 2018:

	Headcount	
Wholetime	755	
Retained	491	
Control	42	
Support	289	
Total	1,577	

Please note this is the same criteria used for reporting to governments.

We would prefer to receive this information in electronic form, by e-mail to and preferably as tables in Word or Excel format. If you have any queries regarding this request, please e-mail the above address or telephone me on 0208 481 1511.