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I would like to make a request under the terms of the freedom of information act.

Could you provide answers to the following questions please?

- How many operational fire stations are in your Fire and Rescue Service area? **47**
- How many fire stations have closed in your Fire and Rescue Service area in the last 10 years? **4**
- Of these closed stations, how many were situated in rural areas?

If you categorise rural areas as either significantly rural or predominantly rural (as defined by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs 2011 Rural-Urban Classification of Local Authorities and other geographies) please provide this breakdown.

- How many new fire stations have opened in your Fire and Rescue Service area, in the last 10 years? **1**
- Of these newly opened fire stations, how many are situated in rural areas? **0**

If you categorise rural areas as either significantly rural or predominantly rural (as defined by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs 2011 Rural-Urban Classification of Local Authorities and other geographies) please provide this breakdown.

- How many fire stations in your Fire and Rescue Service area are partially staffed by Retained Firefighters? **9**
- What proportion of these stations, partially staffed by Retained Firefighters, are situated in rural areas? **0**

If you categorise rural areas as either significantly rural or predominantly rural (as defined by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs 2011 Rural-Urban Classification of Local Authorities and other geographies) please provide this breakdown.

- How many fire stations in your Fire and Rescue Service area are entirely staffed by Retained Firefighters? **27**
- What proportion of these stations, wholly staffed by Retained Firefighters, are situated in rural areas? 1

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'Retained Firefighters' refers to employees under the Retained Duty System.

In addition to the data, I would like a summary containing the above information.