

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 011671
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Compensation Claims

Request:

- 1 Please tell me how many compensation claims have been settled with members of the public who have suffered personal injury or damage to their property as a result of the council's failure to maintain roads and footpaths properly in each of the following financial years: a) 2014/15 b) 2013/14 c) 2012/13 d) 2011/12 e) 2010/11
- 2 Please provide a breakdown as follows:
 - a) For each case, please tell me whether the claimant was i) a pedestrian ii) a cyclist iii) a motorist
 - b) For each case, please tell me the compensation sum paid to the claimant
 - c) For each case, please give me details of injuries sustained by the claimant or the damage to their property
 - d) For each case, please give me a brief summary of the incident

In response to questions 1. and 2. above, please see below table which provides you with our response.

28/04/2010	Motorist	£	300.00	Tracking and suspension	Pot hole
07/06/2010	Pedestrian	£	2,520.00	Ankle, back	Caught foot in pot hole and fell
17/06/2010	Cyclist/Motorist	£	711.70	Vehicle damage	Claimant hit pot hole in road causing damage to vehicle
13/10/2010	Pedestrian	£	1,346.50	Ankle, knee	Foot went into a pot hole causing claimant to go over on her ankle, fell forwards landing on knees
18/10/2010	Pedestrian	£	2,750.00	Ankle, back	Tripped in pot hole
14/12/2010	Pedestrian	£	5,124.50	Left arm, hand, face	Stumbled in pot hole in pavement
01/02/2011	Cyclist/Motorist	£	449.46	Vehicle damage	Pot hole in road
10/02/2011	Cyclist/Motorist	£	369.00	Vehicle damage	Damage to Vehicle due to pot hole

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28/02/2011	Cyclist/Motorist	£	150.00	Alloy wheel	Pot hole in road
10/06/2011	Motorist	£	111.44	Tyre	Tyre damaged whilst driving over pothole
06/07/2011	Pedestrian	£	5,500.00	Foot	Got out of vehicle and foot went into a 'pot hole' in the grass
07/09/2011	Pedestrian	£	22,481.42	Collar bone, shoulder	Claimant tripped and fell due to a pothole
19/09/2011	Pedestrian	£	175.50	Glasses	Stumbled on pot hole
21/09/2011	Pedestrian	£	1,500.00	Ankle	Whilst crossing the road, stepped in pot hole causing claimant to twist ankle
06/12/2011	Pedestrian	£	2,750.00	Finger	Claimant tripped over a pothole in footpath
23/05/2012	Motorist/Cyclist	£	150.00	Wheel bearings	Wheel bearings damaged due to pot hole in road
07/06/2012	Motorist/Cyclist	£	114.00	Vehicle damage	Claimant hit pot hole causing damage to vehicle
13/06/2012	Pedestrian	£	1,500.00	Foot	Foot went into pothole whilst crossing road causing injury
14/06/2012	Pedestrian	£	1,400.00	Ankle, knee	Claimant tripped over a pothole
30/07/2012	Pedestrian	£	5,062.50	Elbow	Tripped and fell due to pot hole
06/08/2012	Cyclist	£	7,551.96	Wrist, left arm	Hit pothole
10/08/2012	Cyclist	£	1,300.00	Back	Riding bicycle and hit pot hole causing claimant to fall from bike
14/08/2012	Motorist	£	86.83	Broken brakes	Hit pothole n/s rear brakes jammed on & broke
15/01/2013	Motorist	£	65.00	Tyre	Hit pot hole causing damage to vehicle. Tyre split
15/01/2013	Motorist	£	122.00	Tyres	Hit pot hole whilst driving along road causing damage to vehicle. 2 punctured tyres
15/01/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	629.44	Tyres	Damaged tyres on vehicle due to pot holes in road
16/01/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	44.00	Vehicle damage	Claimant hit a pot hole causing damage to vehicle
17/01/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	296.78	Alloy wheel	Damage to vehicle (alloy wheel) due to pot hole
17/01/2013	Motorist	£	123.50	Tyre	Hit large pot hole whilst driving along road. Damage to tyre
17/01/2013	Motorist	£	84.60	Tyre and alloy wheel	Drove over a pot hole, which caused damage to the tyre and alloy wheel
24/01/2013	Motorist	£	182.00	Tyre	Whilst driving along road, hit pot hole causing car tyre to blow out
28/01/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	99.60	Tyre	Damage to tyre due to large deep pot hole
29/01/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	739.25	Vehicle damage	Damage to vehicle due to large pot hole
04/02/2013	Pedestrian	£	3,000.00	Ankle	Crossing road foot went into pothole
08/02/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	101.20	Tyre	Damaged tyre on a pot hole
11/02/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	618.19	Vehicle damage	Damage to vehicle due to pot hole

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12/02/2013	Motorist	£	638.09	Wheel and tyre	Large potholes in road
11/03/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	92.50	Tyre	Damage to tyre due to a large pot hole around a manhole cover
15/03/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	165.50	Wheel and tyre	Damage to wheel and tyre due to pot hole
26/03/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	260.00	Vehicle damage	Damage to Vehicle on pot hole
10/04/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	118.00	Tyre	Tyre damaged on pothole
16/04/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	102.00	Vehicle damage	Damage to underside of vehicle caused by pothole in road
17/04/2013	Cyclist	£	648.66	Front wheel	Front wheel of motorbike damaged on pothole in road
10/05/2013	Pedestrian	£	4,407.38	Wrist	Tripped over a damaged kerbstone
15/05/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	68.34	Shocker	Damage caused to vehicle due to pot holes in road
14/06/2013	Pedestrian	£	2,600.00	Ankle, left leg	Tripped in pothole in the road
10/07/2013	Motorist	£	606.24	Alloy wheel	Damaged caused to front nearside alloy wheel due to potholes in the road
28/08/2013	Pedestrian	£	3,000.00	Knee	Tripped over a pothole in the pavement causing injury
03/09/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	104.09	Vehicle damage	Vehicle damage caused by pot hole
04/09/2013	Pedestrian	£	3,100.00	Elbow, shoulder	Tripped on a pot hole
08/10/2013	Pedestrian	£	2,554.00	Ankle	Stepped into pot hole in front of drain cover, fell forwards
20/12/2013	Motorist/Cyclist	£	210.00	Alloy wheel and Ttyre	Damage to alloy wheel and tyre due to pot hole in the road
12/02/2014	Motorist	£	100.00	Alloy and tyre	Driving along went over pothole, tyre punctured and alloy damaged
13/02/2014	Motorist/Cyclist	£	635.53	Vehicle damage	Damage to vehicle due to pot hole in road
17/02/2014	Motorist/Cyclist	£	130.32	Tyre and wheel	Damage to tyre and wheel due to pot hole in pavement
05/03/2014	Motorist/Cyclist	£	90.00	Tyre	Tyre damaged on vehicle due to pothole in the road
09/04/2014	Pedestrian	£	5,908.00	Ankle	Claimant was walking along pavement when tripped on a pothole causing injury
21/05/2014	Pedestrian	£	600.00	Ankle, stomach	Tripped over a pothole
19/06/2014	Motorist	£	117.80	Tyre	Damage to car tyre due to pot hole in the road
30/09/2014	Pedestrian	£	1,986.80	Ankle	Stepped into pothole in pavement
03/12/2014	Motorist	£	120.00	Tyre	Dove over a pothole
28/01/2015	Motorist/Cyclist	£	240.00	Tyre	Damaged tyre on a pot hole
03/03/2015	Motorist	£	250.00	Tyre	Drove over a pothole,
03/03/2015	Motorist/Cyclist	£	475.28	Vehicle damage	Damage to vehicle on pothole

3 Please tell me how much the council spent on filling in potholes in each of the following financial years:

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- a) 2014/15 - £1,251,812 + £146,845 (one year grant funding for repair to flood damaged roads)
- b) 2013/14 - £1,467,969
- c) 2012/13 - £1,285,971
- d) 2011/12 - £ 930,297
- e) 2010/11 - £1,094,284