

South East Coast Ambulance Service

NHS Foundation Trust

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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your further enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/16/10/11.

You requested the following information:

I would like to make a Freedom of Information request please as a local resident concerned about the numbers of road traffic collisions happening in the following location:

A2018 Shepherds Lane, Dartford, Kent, DA1 2NS - between junction with B2174 Princes Road and the A2, Dartford Heath exit (both carriageways). These may be listed as 'with the junctions of' Knole Road, Heathclose Avenue, Orchard Avenue, Heathview Crescent, Heath Close Road, Heather Drive and Rochester Way.

I would like to know how many of the below (all reported RTCs, all injury RTCs, all fatal RTCs) there have been annually from 1 January 2011 to the current date 5 October 2016.

I am particularly interested in the serious injury and fatal RTC statistics if you are able to break it down in that way. If not, then statistics of all reported RTCs please. The latest fatal RTC happened on Thursday 29 September 2016 at the junction with Heather Drive.

Unfortunately we have no specific manner in which Road Traffic Collisions (RTCs) are reported when being triaged by our call takers during the 999 call. Incidents may be reported as Road Traffic Collision, Trauma or according to the injury sustained, for example, head or limb injury, therefore we cannot be sure that all the incidents have been captured. However to provide the most accurate response we can to your questions we have searched our database using the problem nature of RTC and trauma, where the freetext relating to the incident included car, RTC, motorbike, junction, together the addresses mentioned in your request.

We have only included those responses where Princes Road was listed with the junctions of the roads mentioned , not those where just Princes Road was mentioned.

We do not hold details of fatalities but we can advise whether the incident resulted in a patient being conveyed to hospital.



Please see the table below which provides this information for the period from 1st January 2011 to 30th September 2016.

Calendar Year	Number of responses	Number of responses where a patient was conveyed to hospital
2011	3	1
2012	4	4
2013	8	4
2014	4	2
2015	6	2
2016 up to 30/09/16	5	3
TOTAL	30	16

I hope you find this information helpful.

If, for whatever reason you are unhappy with our response, you are entitled to pursue any dissatisfaction through South East Coast Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust's (SECAmb) Internal Review Procedure at:

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust 40-42 Friars Walk Lewes East Sussex BN7 2XW Email: <u>complaints@secamb.nhs.uk</u>

Should you remain unhappy with the outcome of any such internal review, you may request a decision from the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust