

## **Northamptonshire County Council**

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Our ref: Your ref: Date:

8th March 2019

Freedom of Information

Dear Mr Barker,

## **Information Request: FR9040**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 which was received by us on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act and is detailed below in italics with our response in bold.

(Please note the extract below has been taken directly from your original information request and is unedited).

In brief my Company, Cyclops Road Studs Ltd has developed a device that illuminates road markings with UK, USA, CHINA & EUROPE patents granted and further patents pending globally.

I would very much appreciate information for the number of Road Studs that are replaced Annually in the UK within your Region? And the total miles of roads that your calculation is taken from for your region? I understand that this is information that will be held on your behalf by various contractors and I have tried unsuccessfully to date to get access to the statistics I require by contacting the various manufacturers and road marking companies.

The only guide I have managed to source to Date is an online article which states that there are approx. 500 Million Road Studs in the UK?

I have been advised to request an FOI in order to get these figures as I have been unable to get the information, I require from any of the contacts I have approached previously, and this seems to be the only option left to me

IT IS IMPERATIVE TO MY COMPANY THAT I HAVE THE CORRECT INFROMATION IN ORDER FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO FINALISE DISCUSSIONS WITH VARIOUS INVESTORS TO GET A ROUTE TO MARKET WHICH IS DEPENDENT ON THE ANNUAL REPLACEMENT FIGURES.

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## **Our Response**

The Freedom of Information Team has been provided with the following information in response to your recent request on behalf of Northamptonshire County Council (NCC).

## **Network lengths**

A roads - 569.89km
B roads - 150.69km
C roads - 1121.13km
Unclassified roads - 2421.43km

We only have road studs on A roads; this is NCC policy.

In 2018/19 season of surface dressing we replaced 2646.

During this year's 2019/20 surface dressing season we will replace 4064 providing all sites are carried out.

300 road studs were replaced on the Brixworth bypass last year.

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Mr Simon Deacon Reviewing Officer Northamptonshire County Council One Angel Square Angel Street Northampton NN1 1ED

Email dataprotection@northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk

If our internal review does not resolve the issue to your complete satisfaction, you have the right to apply to the information Commissioner for a decision at the following address:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

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# Yours sincerely

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