

FOI REF:	15003
RESPONSE SENT:	27/11/2024

Request

I am requesting the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide the data for the period from April 1st, 2023 to March 31st, 2024:

- 1. Playground Closures:
 - The number of playgrounds permanently closed.
- 2. New Playgrounds:
 - The number of new playgrounds opened.
- 3. Reports of Vandalism
 - The total number of vandalism reports in playgrounds.
 - If available, provide details of the types of vandalism reported (e.g., graffiti, damage to equipment).
- 4. Number of Injuries in Play Parks:
 - The total number of injuries reported in playgrounds, broken down by type of injury.
 - If available, a breakdown of injuries by specific equipment (e.g., swings, slides, climbing frames).

5. Inspection Frequency:

• The frequency with which playgrounds are inspected by the council.

If any of this information is publicly available, I would appreciate it if you could direct me to the relevant resources. Please let me know if this request exceeds the cost limit for FOI requests, and I can refine the scope.

Response

1 Playgrounds closed - 0

2 The number of new playgrounds opened. 0

3 The total number of vandalism reports in playgrounds. 1 (arson)

4 The total number of injuries reported in playgrounds, broken down by type of injury. 1 (Cut head from slip) (climbing frame)

5 The frequency with which playgrounds are inspected by the council. Minimum of once per week. 2 or 3 times per week in some cases