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## Request:

For the purpose of these questions, please consider all references to a "pothole" to be defined as any physical defect in the surface of the road which potentially poses a hazard to road users, such as potholes, sunken manhole covers, cracks in the tarmac or any other defect.

1.

a. How many potholes were reported to North Tyneside Council in each of the past five years for which data is available?

Reported defects in the carriageway per calendar year:

2019 = 717

2018 = 1417

2017 = 826

2016 = 829

2015 = 860

b. How many of those potholes reported to North Tyneside Council, in each of the past five years for which data is available, failed to meet the required intervention criteria, as set by North Tyneside Council, due to insufficient depth, width or other factor?

Reported defects in the carriageway that did not meet our intervention criteria:

2019 = 402

2018 = 833

2017 = 437

2016 = 385

2015 = 388

Please provide answers for each year individually. If it is not possible to provide data for the past five years for which data is available, please provide it for the last full year for which data is available.

2.

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a. Does North Tyneside Council set target repair times depending on the seriousness of an identified pothole/defect?

Yes

b. How many potholes/defects were repaired by North Tyneside Council in each of the past five years for which data is available?

The following shows the number of work orders issued for all highway defects. Often orders will have been for multiple defects. Our system can break down how many potholes were repaired (also shown below) but cannot provide a breakdown of all the other highway defects.

Repair orders raised per year:

2019 = 1432

2018 = 1703

2017 = 1332

2016 = 1526

2015 = 1489

Number of potholes repaired per calendar year:

2019 = 9148

2018 = 7966

2017 = 6611

2016 = 8198

2015 = 7335

c. Of those potholes repaired, how many were repaired within North Tyneside Council's set target time, for each of the past five years for which data is available?

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a. How many miles of highway is North Tyneside Council responsible for maintaining?

945.6km

b. How many full-time equivalent staff does North Tyneside Council currently employ to inspect its highway network to identify and classify highway defects or potential highway defects?

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c. How many full-time equivalent staff did North Tyneside Council directly employ to inspect its highway network to identify and classify highway defects on the 1st of January for each of the past four years (1/1/2016, 1/1/2017, 1/1/2018, 1/1/2019)

2016 = 4

2017 = 4

2018 = 4

2019 = 4

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