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Request

Hello, I'm writing with a request under the Freedom of Information Act. It is on the topic of abandoned boats.

- Please provide a copy of your organisation's policy regarding how you establish that a boat has been abandoned, when your organisation takes responsibility for an abandoned boat, and how you handle the costs of disposal of an abandoned boat.
- How many boats has your organisation removed and/or disposed of per year since 2015? Please could you provide the data in Calendar years.
- How much money has been spent by your organisation on the removal / disposal of abandoned vessels per year since 2015? Please could you provide the data in Calendar years.

If data from the periods requested above is not available, please provide it from the earliest available year to the most recent at the point of production.

Response

- There is no documented policy in relation to the handling of abandoned boats due to limited cases experienced.
Costs of disposal on land are handled in line with any abandoned vehicle removed.
- 3 boats have been removed since 2015 (2 in 2024, 1 in 2025)
- £1050 in total (£700 in 2024, £350 in 2025)

