

# East Lothian Council

## EIR Ref: 2018/129(13251)

**1) What was the total number of potholes reported to the council during 2017 - and specifically the period of 1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017?**

2016/17 2,287\*

**2) How many potholes did the council fix during 2017? (1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017)**

2016/17 2,684\*

**3) How much did the council spend on fixing potholes during 2017? (1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017)**

2016/17 £321,442\*

**4) How much did the council spend on fixing potholes during the previous year 2016? (1st January 2016 to 31st December 2016)**

2015/16 £296,065\*

**5) What was the total number of compensation claims to the council from road users claiming for damage or injury caused by potholes and damaged road surfaces during 2017?**

46 - 3 personal injury claims and 43 motor vehicle damage claims

**6) How many of these claims were successful during 2017? (i.e compensation paid out)**

17 - All motor vehicle damage

**7) What was the total amount of compensation paid out by the council to road users claiming damage or injury caused by potholes and damaged road surfaces during 2017? (1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017)**

£5,139 - Not all claims have yet been settled

For information, a report published by Audit Scotland in August 2016 showed that East Lothian was ranked 9<sup>th</sup> out of 32 authorities in Scotland for road condition indicators. The overall conditions of our roads have remained broadly consistent in the last few years, and while the recent bad weather has some effect on the condition of our roads, we are continuing to invest in the maintenance and repairs of our local road network to keep East Lothian moving.

\*This information is recorded by financial year rather than calendar year. The information provided is for the nearest complete financial year.