



## Freedom Of Information Request

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### **Freedom Of Information request regarding Liberation Day Fireworks**

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**Request:**

Following several comments/requests from Parishioners regarding Liberation Day, we would like to request information on how much money was spent on the firework display on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and the duration of the display.

Supplementary request is whether the deposits/debris were steered away from the sea water.

**Response provided by the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture:**

The fireworks display, which has been a tradition since the 1980s, this year cost £12,000 and lasted for 9 minutes. Standard Fireworks Guernsey put on this display at a reduced cost and contribute additional fireworks to ensure the people of Guernsey can enjoy a stunning display on what is a very important day for the Island.

The debris from fireworks left on the breakwater is picked up by hand after the display by Standard Fireworks. Other debris from the fireworks that goes into the sea is biodegradable.

The fireworks display is available on-line and this year has been watched for over 166 hours on both the Liberation Day website and Facebook page and has been seen by viewers in 38 individual countries. The social media post reached over 16,250 on Facebook alone and people have continued to view the display in the weeks since Liberation Day.

It should be noted that in a survey undertaken in 2019, when people were asked what their favourite part of Liberation Day was the fireworks and the cavalcade came out on top.