

EX WILTSHIRE WATER TENDER

We have recently been contacted by Darryl Lawton from Norfolk, whose hobby is restoring old vehicles. In 2012, he purchased a former Wiltshire Fire Brigade water tender and is restoring it to a high standard; it is fully roadworthy and already won a show award. Darryl has named her "Kathryn" and endeavouring to keep her as original as he can.

The vehicle is a 1964 Bedford TK HCB Angus water tender BHR369B, WFB fleet number 121 and spent at least part of its life at Salisbury.

Darryl is experienced in restoring cars, buses and helped restore an aircraft but has no prior experience of fire appliances.



He is requesting information from retired members, who may have any knowledge of this vehicle, including:

- Service history
- Details of any major or unusual incidents
- Details of equipment carried
- Photos of vehicle and crew
- How to operate equipment, including main pump and LPP

He is also trying to obtain original 60-70's fire kit, including yellow Cromwell helmets, peaked caps, WFB cap badges, etc.



Darryl is seeking as much help and information as he can muster and would welcome a visit from any of her old crew.

The vehicle will continue to be shown at various shows. Darryl is a member of the Lincolnshire Vintage Vehicle Society & Museum where he hopes to exhibit the appliance for all to see and retain her original Wiltshire Fire Brigade livery (vehicle and equipment). Can you help?



Darryl has requested that we publish his contact details.

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