

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Emergency Accommodation***

#### **Request:**

1. What is the total number of households the council is currently providing emergency (B&B / Guesthouse) accommodation for?  
Total number of 15 clients for September 2016 with only 3 being in accommodation as of the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
2. How many households requiring emergency (B&B / Guesthouse) accommodation are currently being provided this accommodation outside of the council's boundaries?  
Nil
3. For the years, 2010-2016 (to date) what is the total spend by the authority for providing emergency (B&B / Guesthouse) accommodation?

2010-11	£289,100
2011-12	£209,536
2012-13	£244,513
2013-14	£201,972
2014-15	£198,021
2015-16	£115,935
2016-Sept 2016	£ 21,811
Total Spend	£1,280,888

Total Spend corresponds with all invoices received and total placements authorised by the Housing Options Team, thus only showing outgoing payments.

Please note; this doesn't take into account Housing Benefits that has been recouped against payments for clients who filled in Housing benefit applications.

Wolverhampton Housing Options have diligently been working on reducing the use and cost of Bed and Breakfast through commissioning extra bed spaces from Hostels within Wolverhampton and also acquiring extra properties from our ALMO (Wolverhampton Homes). These practices have vastly reduced costs.

4. Could you please provide a list of companies and individuals that have received payment for providing emergency (B&B / Guesthouse) accommodation to households so far in 2016?

Britannia Hotel (Used by the Emergency Duty Team)

Newbridge Guest House (Used by the Emergency Duty Team)

Oaklands Guest House (Used by Housing Options)

P3 (Used by the Emergency Duty Team and by Housing Options)

Queen Victoria Hotel (Used by the Emergency Duty Team and by Housing Options)

Redwings Hotel (Used by the Emergency Duty Team)