

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000654

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Private Rented Sector Housing

Request:

I am looking at how local authorities are applying the Deregulation Act 2015 concerning retaliatory (revenge) evictions which came into effect October 1st 2015 (see link for government guidance on the law change):

ttps://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/465275/Retaliatory Eviction Guidance Note.pdf>

As such can you please reply with answers to the following 5 questions:

- 1. How many retaliatory evictions has your authority stopped since the Deregulation Act came into effect on 1st October 2015? (If you have no official statistics recorded please give your best estimate)

 We do not currently hold this information.
- 2. How many inspections of private rented properties has your authority carried out since October 1st 2015?

 The number of inspections carried out from 1.10.2015 to 30.11.2016 = 660
- How many inspections at the request of tenants of private rented properties has your authority carried out since October 1st 2015?
 The number of inspections carried out at the request of tenants, (01.10.2015 30.11.2016) = 439
 (plus additional re-visits to chase up completion of works etc) 204
- 4. How many complaints from tenants about the condition of private rented accommodation has your authority received since October 1st 2015? Number of complaints received (1.10.2015 to 30.11.2016) = 516
- How many Improvement Notices/Notices of Emergency Remedial Action has your authority served with regards to private rented accommodation since October 1st 2015? Number of Improvement Notices (1.102.05 to 30.11.2016) = 19

Emergency Remedial Action 3