

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001006 Date 27 March 2017

Council Tax Accounts

Request:

I am seeking information in respect of all "closed" Council Tax accounts for the period 1st April 2006 to 31st March 2016 with a credit balance for Accord Group (Please note – The Group is made up of Ashrammoseley, Birmingham Co-operative Housing Services [bchs], Caldmoreaccord, Direct Health, Fry Housing Trust, Heantun Housing Association and Redditch Co-operative Homes [RCH]) and therefore when checking please use all the above listed names.

I wish the following fields returned, preferably in Excel format via email:

- Council Tax property address
- End date on the account
- Amount of credit on the account

I am aware that the release or publication of Council Tax data is generally restricted as per the Data Protection Act 1998. However, the Data Protection Act ONLY relates to living individuals, not organisations, and as such my request does not infringe on the Data Protection Act onto which councils are bound in relation to the disclosure of Council Tax data.

The vast majority of UK councils already release similar data in relation to Non-Domestic (Business) Rates, therefore my request should therefore be treated in the same manner. Following a similar request to another council, the data was very quickly obtainable and released, and therefore should definitely not be constrained by the FOI staff time limits.

Please see the answer to the request below:

Property Address	Account Reference Number	End date	O/S Liability	Liable party name
22 Hinchliffe Avenue Bilston WV14 9PQ	612346545680	14/08/2016	-14.54	Heantun Housing Association Ltd
Flat 9, 9 St Georges Parade, Wolverhampton, WV2 1AZ	612346725972	05/02/2017	-42.01	Heantun Housing Association Ltd