

Response to Request for Information

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Homeless/Homelessness

Request:

We would like to know about any children/young people **aged 16-24** who approached the council during the **financial year 2016-2017**, because they were homeless or at risk of homelessness.

This request will require data from both Children's Services and your Housing Departments. Three queries relating to these young people are listed below.

- Each quarter of the financial year **2016-2017**
 - 1st April – 30th June 2016
 - 1st July – 30th September 2016
 - 1st October – 31st December 2016
 - 1st January – 31st March 2017

- Young people aged **16-24**

Query 1: Homelessness presentations, assessments and eligibility in 2016-17

Within your local authority, what were the number of 16-24 year olds who:

- 1) Presented themselves as homeless, or at risk of homelessness
- 2) Were assessed under the Housing Act 1996
- 3) Were accepted as statutorily homeless
- 4) Were housed by Children's services

In respect of Query 1, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information as our system only searches on information for 18 to 34 year olds and not 16-24 as requested. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".

Query 2: Prevention and Relief for 2016-17

Within your local authority, what was the number of:

- 1) Prevention and relief cases for 16-24 year olds

In respect of Query 2, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information as our system only searches on information for 16 to 17 year olds and not 16-24 as requested. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

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Query 3: Reason left last settled base in 2016-17

Within your local authority, what was the number of 16-24 year olds who were accepted as statutorily homeless and owed a duty, who had one of the following main reasons for leaving their last settled base in 2016-17?

- 1) Parents no longer willing or able to accommodate
 - Quarter 1 = 13
 - Quarter 2 = 12
 - Quarter 3 = 5
 - Quarter 4 = 10
- 2) Other relatives or friends no longer willing or able to accommodate
 - Quarter 1 = 4
 - Quarter 2 = 1
 - Quarter 3 = 5
 - Quarter 4 = 3
- 3) Non-violent breakdown of relationship with partner
 - Quarter 1 = 2
 - Quarter 2 = 3
 - Quarter 3 = 1
 - Quarter 4 = 0
- 4) Violence
 - a. Violent breakdown of relationship, involving partner
 - Quarter 1 = 5
 - Quarter 2 = 2
 - Quarter 3 = 4
 - Quarter 4 = 5

- b. Violent breakdown of relationship, involving associated persons
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0

 - c. Racially motivated violence
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0

 - d. Other forms of violence
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 1
 - Quarter 4 = 0
- 5) Harassment, threats or intimidation
- a. Racially motivated harassment
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0

 - b. Other forms of harassment
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 2
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0
- 6) Mortgage arrears (repossession or other loss of home)
- Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0
- 7) Rent arrears on:
- a. Local authority or other public sector dwellings
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0

 - b. Registered Provider dwellings
 - Quarter 1 = 0
 - Quarter 2 = 0
 - Quarter 3 = 0
 - Quarter 4 = 0

c. Private sector dwellings

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 0

Quarter 3 = 1

Quarter 4 = 0

8) Loss of rented or tied accommodation due to:

a. Termination of assured shorthold tenancy

Quarter 1 = 4

Quarter 2 = 1

Quarter 3 = 2

Quarter 4 = 2

b. Reasons other than termination of assured shorthold tenancy

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 0

Quarter 3 = 0

Quarter 4 = 0

9) Required to leave accommodation provided by Home Office as asylum support

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 1

Quarter 3 = 0

Quarter 4 = 0

10) Left an institution or LA care:

a. Left prison/on remand

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 0

Quarter 3 = 0

Quarter 4 = 0

b. Left hospital

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 0

Quarter 3 = 0

Quarter 4 = 0

c. Left other institution or LA care

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 0

Quarter 3 = 0

Quarter 4 = 0

11) Other reason for loss of last settled home

a. Left HM-Forces

Quarter 1 = 0

Quarter 2 = 0

Quarter 3 = 0

Quarter 4 = 0

b. Other reason (e.g. homeless in emergency, sleeping rough or in hostel, returned from abroad)

Quarter 1 = 3

Quarter 2 = 3

Quarter 3 = 4

Quarter 4 = 3

12) Total applicant households

Quarter 1 = 31

Quarter 2 = 25

Quarter 3 = 23

Quarter 4 = 24