

# **Response to Request for Information**

**Reference** FOI 001871 **Date** 15 January 2018

## **Housing Benefit**

#### Request:

I am writing to request the names of the 25 individual or corporate landlords, excluding housing associations, who have received the largest amounts of housing benefit over the last three financial years (ie. between 1/4/14 and 31/3/17).

In each case, please include housing benefit payments made directly to the landlords and, if possible, payments made to tenants which you are able to link to landlords.

I would like to draw your attention to an ICO ruling on the use of the Section 40 exemption in this context. It ruled in favour of the disclosure of the names of individual landlords: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/media/action-weve-taken/decision-notices/2015/1043296/fs\_50547446.pdf">https://ico.org.uk/media/action-weve-taken/decision-notices/2015/1043296/fs\_50547446.pdf</a>

In response to your request, please find our response below:

We have provided the details of the payees who have received the highest value of housing benefit payments in each of the three years requested. We cannot say whether these payees are the landlords of the properties for which they have received payment as we do not hold this information. The payees may be managing agents who receive payment on behalf of landlords.

2014/15	Amounts
GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE	£810,169
THE HAVEN W-TON	£646,313
THE SOLACE COMMUNITY	£366,739
FERNBANK CARE IN THE COMMUNITY	£274,514
HOMEPOINT ESTATE AGENTS	£257,069
FUTURES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LTD	£239,241
KUMACO LIMITED	£230,240
DBP CLIENTS LIMITED	£220,445
MR MOHAMMED AFTAB	£207,187
JERICHO SOCIETY	£165,610

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MR HUGH QUINN	£156,884
R & J INVESTMENTS	£123,243
DHAMI ACCOMMODATION LIMITED	£112,447
PARKER ROSE LTD	£108,169
NK PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LTD	£83,401
GURDIAL SINGH UPPAL	£74,293
MUST BE LET LTD	£72,987
SELECT LIFESTYLES LTD	£69,974
L & A LETTINGS LTD	£65,791
I PROPERTIES	£62,683
HARIS ESTATE AGENTS	£61,520
J FRENCH LTD	£57,267
WEDNESFIELD HOUSING ASSOC. (not a	£55,960
registered Housing Association)	
MR ONKAR SINGH	£55,637
MR MAHMOOD ALI	£54,506
Total	£4,632,288

2015/16	
THE SOLACE COMMUNITY	£813,513
GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE	£772,422
THE HAVEN W-TON	£581,071
HOMEPOINT ESTATE AGENTS	£241,893
KUMACO LIMITED	£229,379
DBP CLIENTS LIMITED	£178,885
R & J INVESTMENTS	£161,657
MR HUGH QUINN	£159,563
JERICHO SOCIETY	£153,300
MR MOHAMMED AFTAB	£134,706
DHAMI ACCOMMODATION LIMITED	£126,202
FUTURES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LTD	£125,262
PARKER ROSE LTD	£98,005
SELECT LIFESTYLES LTD	£78,394
CHOICE LETS & ESTATES LTD	£74,290
GURDIAL SINGH UPPAL	£71,884
J FRENCH LTD	£68,967
WEDNESFIELD HOUSING ASSOC. (not a	£68,463
registered Housing Association)	
GOODCHILDS ESTATE AGENTS & LETTINGS	£62,404
(WTON) LTD	
NK PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LTD	£62,161
L & A LETTINGS LTD	£62,127
LET OR SOLD LTD	£58,558
MR ONKAR SINGH	£56,315
U & S PROPERTIES	£54,645

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MUST BE LET LTD	£51,000
Total	£4,545,068

2016/17	
GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE	£944,619
THE SOLACE COMMUNITY	£897,791
THE HAVEN W-TON	£578,313
HOMEPOINT ESTATE AGENTS	£212,094
KUMACO LIMITED	£201,624
MR HUGH QUINN	£172,286
R & J INVESTMENTS	£162,390
DBP CLIENTS LIMITED	£147,211
GOODCHILDS ESTATE AGENTS & LETTINGS (WTON) LTD	£130,944
DHAMI ACCOMMODATION LIMITED	£123,662
SELECT LIFESTYLES LTD	£114,300
MR MOHAMMED AFTAB	£104,481
JERICHO SOCIETY	£94,285
PARKER ROSE LTD	£81,420
L & A LETTINGS LTD	£68,955
J FRENCH LTD	£68,940
WEDNESFIELD HOUSING ASSOC. (not a	£62,448
registered Housing Association)	
GURDIAL SINGH UPPAL	£60,829
CHOICE LETS & ESTATES LTD	£60,145
MUST BE LET LTD	£58,171
MR JASVINDER BANGA	£52,121
LET OR SOLD LTD	£49,824
NK PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LTD	£47,201
MR ONKAR SINGH	£46,986
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Total	£4,587,612