

## Response to Request for Information

Reference      FOI 002776  
Date            14 September 2018

### ***Public Health Funerals***

#### **Request:**

I would like to know details of anyone who has passed away with no known next of kin, from 01/01/2015 to the date of your reply. If there are any new cases dealt with after this date, please also include details in your response.

Please also supply a list of any Public Health Act Funerals (also known as Welfare or Environmental Health Act funerals) carried out from the above date if this is not forming part of your reply to the above. This should include funerals carried out by the council or on behalf of any third party. Please include:

1. The deceased's full name(s)  
[In response to question 1\) above, please find attached information.](#)
2. The date they passed away  
[In response to question 2\) above, please find attached information.](#)
3. The approximate value of their Estate  
[In response to question 3\) above, please find attached information.](#)
4. Their dates of birth, or age at death  
[In response to question 4\) above, please find attached information.](#)
5. Whether or not they were married, divorced, single or widowed.  
[In respect of question 5\) above, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information.](#)

[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".](#)

6. The maiden surnames of married females or widows  
In respect of question 6), it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information.

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".

7. Their address at time of death  
In response to question 7) above, the Council will not be disclosing the requested information.

The Council is of the view that this would constitute information whose disclosure to the wider world would raise concerns around the prevention or detection of crime and that Section 31(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI, The Act) is engaged.

Section 31(1) states that:

*"Information which is not exempt information by virtue of Section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice*

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*(a) the prevention or detection of crime ..."*

In considering the public interest for and against disclosure in this case, the Council has considered the public interest in disclosing the last known address of the identified deceased people could aid the resolution of any estate-related queries.

Set against this however, the Council has also considered that disclosure to the wider world (which is how any disclosure made under the provisions of the Act must be judged) may cause harm such as fraud, identity theft, criminal acts and criminal trespass and damage to vacant residential property especially when this information is put together with information that is already in the public domain.

In reaching this conclusion, the Council has taken account of guidance from the Information Commissioners Office and further considers that its approach is in accordance with the decisions reached by the Information Commissioners Office, published in decision notices FS50454267 regarding Westminster City Council – 4 December 2012 and also the decision in relation to Birmingham City Council FS50584670 – 14 October 2015.

In both cases the ICO accepted the arguments put forward by the public authorities in question regarding the application of Section 31 as detailed above.

The Council has also considered the case involving London Borough of Camden versus Mr Yiannis Voyias heard at the Information Tribunal on 22 January 2013 (EA/2011/0007).

In this case the Tribunal accepted the risk attendant in disclosing details regarding vacant properties to the wider world.

8. The date when a referral was made to the Treasury Solicitor or Duchy of Lancaster/Cornwall or any other third party to research or administer, and the name of the third party the Estate was referred to.  
[In response to question 8\) above, please find attached information.](#)
9. If a referral to the Treasury Solicitor or Duchy has not been made yet and you are of the belief it may well be, please advise me on this as well.
10. If a case is still undecided or awaiting referral, please advise me of the details.  
[None are pending or awaiting referral to the Treasury.](#)

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NAME	DATE OF DEATH	AGED	DOB	ESTATE	NEXT OF KIN
CHURM GEORGE	04/01/2015	79		£78.60	N
EATON ROY	12/01/2015	63		0	Y
SOUTHALL PAUL	10/01/2015	48		-£1,316	Y
CULLEN MATTHEW	21/01/2015	55		£94.10	Y
HOLDING KEITH	29/01/2015	45		-£446.86	Y
GRETTON ROY	17/01/2015	70		£273.40	N
BUDEVICS ANDREJS	23/12/2014	96		0	Y
BRADBURY STUART	23/01/2015	62		0	Y
GILES ALAN	27/01/2015	75		-£1,029.23	N
MIKULINAS VIACE	07/12/2014	40		-£1,156	N
VASQUEZ JUANITA	01/03/2015	61		-£1,010.41	Y
JOHNSON CLORINE	31/12/2014	55		-£1,315.48	Y
BROOKS DAVIS PATRICIA	07/02/2015	67		0	N
WILDE ANTHONY	17/02/2015	68		£6.86	Y
KENDRICK DAVID VICTOR	20/03/2015	76		£0.81	Y
MARSHALL KEVIN	10/04/2015	58		-£1,160	Y
STONES RAYMOND	30/04/2015	75		£8.06	Y
BAKER STEWART	06/03/2015	32		-£1,046	Y
SELMAN RAYMOND	14/05/2015	84		0	Y
MCGREGOR MARTIN	29/05/2015	47		-£1,051.43	Y
HOLMES MICHAEL	14/03/2015	45		-£1,156	Y
GUEST JOHN	09/06/2015	71		-£1,320	Y
MORGAN STEPHEN	14/06/2015	41		-£1,156	Y
SZCZEPKOWSKI JANEK	18/06/2015	58		£32.30	Y
FAHCEL OSKER	02/03/2015	56		-£1,160	N
WATT JAMES FORBUS	06/07/2015	57		-£235.07	Y
WHEATE STEPHEN	04/07/2015	61		-£1,320	Y
DAVIS ROBERT ALAN	06/07/2015	62		0	Y
JONES WENDY JENNIFER	25/07/2015	73		-£986.84	Y
BOYLE JOHN THOMAS	02/04/2015	58		-£1,160	Y
BUTLER PETER	06/07/2015	59		-£791.07	Y
HADDON BRIAN	16/07/2015	62		-£0.80	Y
CROXFORD NORMAN WILLIAM	05/08/2015	79		£39.97	Y
WATT ROBERTA SOFIA	01/06/2015	68		-£1,156	Y
JUDD ALICE	29/08/2015	72		-£1,320	Y
LAWRENCE PAUL	29/09/2015	58		204.03	N
SARSFIELD CHRISTOPHER	02/10/2015	66		-£1,320	Y
CADDICK BETTY MAY	15/10/2015	79		£9.45	N
TRACEY PATRICK	05/10/2015	68		£150	Y
HANCOX JOHN	23/10/2015	61		-£1,045.40	Y
DAVIES IAN MICHAEL	16/10/2015	40		-£912.79	Y
TAYLOR EDWARD JOHN	20/11/2015	69		-£1,319.47	Y
CADDICK GRAHAM GEORGE	24/11/2015	61		-£133.94	Y
PRIME ALAN	28/11/2015	68		-£921.70	Y
HUGHES GEOFFREY JOHN	15/12/2015	65		-£769.16	N
WARD DAVID MARTIN	13/12/2015	43		-£544.72	Y
MILLS GEORGE FREDERICK	31/12/2015	83		£18,926.14	Y
MORGAN MAY	12/11/2015	88		£0.00	Y

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WALKER HUNTLEY OCTAVIUS	09/11/2015	68		-£1,004.30	Y
NORWOOD ROYSTON	14/01/2016	68		-£50.73	Y
ROWLEY JOHN ANTHONY	31/12/2015	71		-£754.91	Y
MITCHELL EDGAR	30/12/2015	81		-£1,337.00	Y
HILL WILLIAM FREDRICK	02/02/2016	85		-£1,185.00	Y
EDWARDS GRAHAM	01/02/2016	71		-£1,037.00	Y
INGHAM ALAN	10/02/2016	64		-£467.74	Y
DUNNE PATRICK FRANCIS	08/02/2016	57		-£450.09	Y
Mr UNKNOWN	Unknown	unknown		-£1,173.00	N
GEE JOSEPH	06/03/2016	73		£106.41	Y
BRADLEY RONALD	03/03/2016	71		-£4.00	N
HUNT LYNN MARY	07/03/2016	56		£0.00	Y

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GRIFFITHS Roger	04/04/2016	72		£11.37	Y
DEAKIN Leslie	14/03/2016	63		£0.00	N
WORRALL Maurice	10/04/2016	72		approx £7,000	Y
SKIDMORE Geoffrey	27/04/2016	77		£0.00	Y
COOPER John Joseph	30/04/2016	64		-£1,177.00	Y
MORRIS Eric	09/05/2016	71		-£1,337.00	Y
HAYWOOD Brenda	29/06/2016	71		£0.00	N
WHEELER Kathryn	20/06/2016	59		-£1,337.00	Y
EVANS Phillip Simon	11/10/2015	42		-£632.68	Y
WORTON Diane	20/06/2016	55		-£1,337.00	Y
HARTSHORNE Nicholas	12/06/2016	41		-£1,153.00	Y
JONES David Lloyd	12/07/2016	74		£0.00	Y
TURNER Ronald	16/08/2016	72		£0.00	Y
KOYNE Patrick James	23/08/2016	71		-£1,227.00	Y
JOHNSTON Harold	03/10/2016	82		-£773.57	Y
GREEN Peter	06/10/2016	49		-£1,011.50	N
WILLIAMS Michael Robert	08/10/2016	62		£43.15	Y
WALFORD Kelly Jane	03/11/2016	37		-£1,173.00	Y
BAKER Norman	02/10/2016	79		£0.00	Y
THICKETT Robert	20/11/2016	77		£0.00	Y
HARRISON Stuart	13/08/2016	68		-£1,185.53	N
HOGAN Margaret	30/11/2016	87		-£198.28	Y
WILKINSON Stephen	10/01/2017	39		-£1,187.00	Y
DAVIES Maurice Edward	16/01/2017	71		-£1,026.07	Y
DANDO Keith	15/02/2017	72		-£1,512.00	Y
THORNTON Patrick	13/01/2017	54		-£1,187.00	Y
WILLIS Meg	21/03/2017	85		approx £12,000	Y
STANTON Terence	17/03/2017	78		-£322.26	Y

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MCKEE James	14/03/2017	75		£9.66	Y	
MINIACH Jerzy	30/03/2017	63		-£1,049.49	Y	
WILLIAMS Sadie	09/04/2017	80		-£910.37	Y	
WILLIAMS Steven Earl	24/03/2017	54		-£968.95	N	
BOWDLER Malcolm	12/05/2017	77		-£396.99	Y	
FLETCHER Edna	28/05/2017	91		-£856.43	Y	
BOSTOCK Nellie	08/05/2017	78		£0.00	Y	
JONES Christine	06/06/2017	72		£0.00	Y	
ROGERS Susan	21/04/2017	57		-£1,351.00	Y	
SWARRAY Rosaline	04/07/2017	64	?		Y	
MILLER Robert	26/06/2017	52		£0.00	Y	
TUDOR Melvin	15/06/2017	53		-£1,187.00	Y	
BOYDEN Barry	18/05/2017	47		-£1,187.00	Y	
UZORAS Michel	05/07/2017	60		-£1,187.00	N	
FRENCH John	29/08/2017	73		-£1,329.20	Y	
DADE Maurice	14/08/2017	85		£80,000.00	Y *	Y - 15.12.17 * found by treasury
KELLIE Stephen Mark	19/09/2017	55		£0.00	N	
DAVIES Kevin Frances	25/10/2017		12/09/1968	-£1,187.00	Y	
RILEY Lillian	16/11/2017		19/04/1931	-£1,351.00	Y	
WILLIAMS Victoria	04/12/2017		10/05/1945	-£1,361.00	Y	
THOMAS Colin Percy	25/11/2017		05/07/1936	£5,000.00	Y	
EVANS Graham	04/12/2017		12/07/1939	-£215.32	Y	
GUEST Edith	02/12/2017		15/05/1925	-£259.02	N	
Wynn Nellie Betty	25/12/2017		18/07/1937	£12,000.00	Y *	Y - 2.2.18 * found by treasury
Fletcher Jean Edna	22/01/2018		06/07/1931	-£1,162.88	Y	
SMITH John James	25/01/2018		05/01/1946	-£1,197.00	Y	
BARNETT Alison Jane	04/02/2018		02/02/1959	-£857.32	Y	
GILL Mark	15/01/2018		25/07/1970	-£636.36	Y	
WREGGE Jesse Doreen	13/01/2018		17/09/1933	£6,000.00	Y	
SHEPHERD Susan Ann	28/12/2017		31/05/1963	-£1,361.00	N	
ADAMSON Christina Baillie	12/01/2018		17/10/1948	£103.63	N	
CASSEL Robert Alan	04/01/2018		22/01/1961	-£1,201.00	Y	
TURVEY Malcolm	23/02/2018		08/07/1955	-£684.29	Y	
TURNER Carol Ann	04/05/2018		03/07/1946	Not known	N	
EAGLE Ronald Eagle	28/03/2018		10/12/1945	£222.73	N	TSB going to apply to Treasury, Treasury then contact name on death cert

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WOOD Frank	11/06/2018		15/05/1926	Approx £54,000	N	
STACEY Lloyd Robert	10/07/2018		02/01/1992	-£1,167.00	Y	
FORD Alan John	29/06/2018		21/03/1948	Approx £37,000	Y	
THORNEYCROFT David	13/08/2019	55	10/03/1963	-£923.80	Y	

RBS going to apply to Treasury Solicitors