

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Accommodation***

#### **Request:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with details and copies of the following:

- The date range is from 1st January 2015 to the 31st December 2015 for all the enquiries below
- As of 31st December 2015 how many people/families did the Council have waiting for permanent accommodation  
7,880
- How many people were housed in Bed & Breakfast (B&B)  
246 cases were placed in Bed and Breakfast Accommodation during the said time period, of which 50 cases were repeat stays or were in B & B over the four quarters. This has been taken into account as to not provide duplicate information and so the actual figure is 196 cases.
- How many people were housed in Temporary Accommodation (TA)  
342 cases were placed in temporary accommodation provided by the local Authority of which 74 cases were transferred between schemes, thus a total of 268 cases were housed in Temporary accommodation.
- How long they stayed in the accommodation provided  
Of the 196 cases placed in Bed and Breakfast, there was an average nightly stay of 12.64 nights or 1.8 weeks.

Of the 268 cases placed in temporary accommodation, there was an average nightly stay of 72.72 nights or 10.38 weeks ea.

Due to the fact that cases placed in B & B may have also been transferred to Local Authority Temporary accommodation; I have included this figure, taking into account any cases that may have had a duplicate case elsewhere to stop duplication of stats.

Of the 196 cases placed in B & B, 63 cases were transferred to the Local Authority Temporary Accommodation.

Overall total of cases placed in temporary accommodation equalled 401 cases, total nights 21969 which equates to an average of 54.78 nights or 7.82 weeks ea.

- The cost of providing the accommodation and breakdown between B&B and TA B & B cost from 01/01/2015 to 31/12/15 equalled £96,350.41.

Temporary accommodation cost from 01/01/2015 to 31/12/15 £294876.12.  
(Please take into account that these costs have been staggered over 2 financial years because our rent payments are based on an April to March period.

- A list of the top 25 private landlords or private businesses this money was paid to  
Below is a list of agents that the Council uses:

Homepoint  
Property Lounge  
Reeds Rains Lettings  
Easy Move  
Phoenix Properties  
Daniel Fox & Co  
L & A Lettings  
Eden Estates  
Parker Rose  
Premier Estates  
iProperties  
Uppal & Singh  
Wolfe Property  
Principal Lettings  
Homes 4 U  
Verma & Sons  
Choice Lets  
Express Properties

- The area/postcode that they were housed  
WV1  
WV2  
WV3  
WV6  
WV10  
WV11  
WV14  
WS1