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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI512343299

Thank you for your request for information relating to Youth Homelessness.

You have requested the following information:

We would like to know about any young people aged 16-24 who approached you, including both as a main applicant and those who were part of a household or couple and were not the main applicant, during the financial year 2022-2023 because they were homeless or at risk of homelessness.

The information we are requesting falls under the Housing Act 1996 which has been amended to include the new duties brought in by the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017.

In all queries '2022-2023' refers to the financial year from April 2022 to March 2023.

We are requesting data for each quarter of this financial year (below) and the total for 2022-2023.

Quarter 1: 1st April – 30th June 2022

Quarter 2: 1st July – 30th September 2022 Quarter 3: 1st October – 31st December 2022 Quarter 4: 1st January – 31st March 2023 Annual total: 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023

In addition we are also requesting totals of the below questions broken down by both gender (male, female, and other/not known) and age group (16-17 year olds and 18-24 year

Homelessness presentations, assessments and eligibility in 2022-2023

Within your authority in 2022-2023, how many 16-24 year olds:

- 1) Presented themselves as homeless, or at risk of homelessness, as a main applicant This does not include general housing advice. By presenting we mean all who presented themselves as homeless even if they were not subsequently assessed. This might include individuals who presented before 56 days of becoming homeless, or at risk of homelessness, believed they were homeless but did not meet requirement, presented but were not eligible for homelessness assistance.
- 2) Were included as part of any household presenting as homeless or at risk of homelessness, including as main applicant

This would include either or both members of a couple aged 16-24, or any children or other adults aged 16-24 included as part of a family. If it is only possible to provide age data for the main applicant, please leave this question blank.

- 3) Were assessed for a Prevention and/or Relief duty under part 7 of the Housing Act While this assessment is a new duty brought in by the HRA, it is a duty under part 7 of the Housing Act as amended by the HRA.
- 4) Received an initial decision of being owed:
- a. Prevention duty under HRA
- b. Relief duty under HRA
- 5) Prevention duty ended:
- a. With accommodation secured
- b. Leading to relief duty
- c. Any other reason
- 6) Relief ended:
- a. With accommodation secured
- b. for any other reason (not including those who progress to an assessment under the Housing Act 1996)
- 7) Were assessed for a statutory main housing duty under part 7 of the Housing Act By this we mean following unsuccessful prevention and/or relief outcomes, how many young people underwent a final assessment under part 7 of the Housing Act in order to assess their eligibility for a statutory main housing duty
- 8) Were accepted as statutorily homeless and owed a statutory main housing duty under part 6 of the Housing Act 1996

After undergoing a final assessment, how many young people were accepted as statutorily homeless and offered a statutory main housing duty.

Please note that the P1E returns are not suitable for this request as they do not provide data broken down by age.

Please see spreadsheet attached.

For clarification:

- The figures showing the number of approaches may include an individual more than once, if they made more than one approach within the timeframe.
- The figures for Question 2 (where a young person aged 16-24 is part of the household, not just the main applicant) shows all individuals, which may include more than one individual of that age within a household/application.
- The figures for Question 3 onwards are based on the main applicant being 16-24 years old.
- The figures for the duties are based on the date that the duty was owed/date that the duty ended.
- The age of applicants is based on the age they were at first approach

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Yours faithfully

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