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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI542971607

Thank you for your request for information relating to temporary accommodation and recording disability.

You have requested the following information:

#### 1. Do you record people's disabilities when placing them into temporary accommodation?

Yes, where this is identified from information given by an applicant during an assessment of their housing needs.

## 2. If so, how many people currently living in temporary accommodation (that you placed there) have disabilities?

Currently there are 182 people placed in temporary accommodation with disabilities. Please note, this is the number of individuals, not the number of households.

## 3. What percentage is that of the total number of people currently living in temporary accommodation (that you placed there)?

6% of the total number of people currently living in temporary accommodation have a disability. Please note, this is the number of individuals, not the number of households.

4. How do you record their disabilities? (Please describe the recording system you have in place and how the data is stored)

The information is stored electronically within a secure homelessness case management system.

# 5. How is the data used? (for example are residents with disabilities prioritised in any way when they need a repair/help)

The information is used to determine the suitability of temporary accommodation and, if further duties are owed, to inform of a suitable offer of accommodation under Part 6 or Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996. The information can also be used to determine if any adaptations are required in any temporary accommodation or offer of permanent accommodation.

General information on how the data provided during a homelessness assessment is used can be found in the privacy notices available here:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/homelessness-1/homelessness-prevention-service-privacy-notice

We therefore are not required to disclose the information as per Section 21 of the Act.

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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