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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

**Request ID: FOI600671862**

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

You have requested the following information:

**1. The amount of money the council paid to providers of temporary accommodation in calendar year 2023, broken down by individual provider (i.e. showing how much was paid to each provider). If the information is not available by calendar year, please provide the figures for the 2023/24 financial year (year-to-date if necessary).**

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

[https://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/818/spending\\_over\\_500](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/818/spending_over_500)

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

**2. The number of households currently living in temporary accommodation. This includes households that the council has placed inside or outside the local authority area, but excludes households placed inside the local authority area by other councils**

As of 3 April 2024, the total number of households (individuals and families) that were in temporary accommodation was 1,210. Of these, 33 were placed outside of Coventry.

**3. Of the placements referred to in response to question 2, how many placements have their rent fully covered by the government subsidy for temporary accommodation costs (i.e. up to 90 percent of January 2011 Local Housing Allowance rates)?**

295 of the placements receive the government subsidy (90% LHA rate) but this does not fully cover the cost.

**4. In calendar year 2023, how many households did the council assess as having made themselves “intentionally homeless” due to rent arrears?**

There were four households who received a decision that they were 'Homeless, in priority need, but intentionally homeless' where rent arrears or service charge arrears were referenced in the decision, but none that were solely due to rent arrears.

**5. In calendar year 2023, how many households did the council end its homelessness duty towards due to the household's refusal to accept an offer of housing outside the local authority area?**

None.

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Yours faithfully

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