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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI496796150

Thank you for your request for information relating to Council Tax Arrears.

You have requested the following information:

1. What is the total current value of council tax arrears owed to the council (correct as of 28th February 2024)?

£32,920,932.45

2. What was the total value of council tax arrears owed to the council one year ago (28th February 2023)?

£28,096,166.68

3. What was the total value of council tax arrears owed to the council five years ago (28th February 2019)?

£5,430,586.72

4. How many households in your area are currently in council tax arrears (correct as of 28th February 2024)?

5. Against how many people have you brought court proceedings in order to recover council tax arrears in the past year (28th February 2023 - 28th February 2024)?

21,533

6. How many referrals have you made to bailiffs as a result of council tax arrears in the past year (28th February 2023 - 28th February 2024)?

17,276

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Yours faithfully

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