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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI614644003

Thank you for your request for information relating to debt collection agencies to collect unpaid council tax debts.

You have requested the following information:

1. Has your local authority employed debt collection agencies to collect unpaid council tax debts or business rates over the last five years?

No.

2. Has your local authority employed bailiffs to collect unpaid council tax debts or business rates over the last five years?

We have employed enforcement agents.

3. Has your local authority applied for any bankruptcy petitions against people with unpaid council tax debts or business rates over the last five years? If so, how many?

Seven cases.

4. Has your local authority applied for any charging orders against people with unpaid council tax debts or business rates over the last five years? If so, how many?

72 cases.

5. Has your local authority “sold” any books of council tax or business rates debt over the last five years?

None.

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Yours faithfully

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