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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI630020208

Thank you for your request for information relating to Homelessness placements with private landlords.

You have requested the following information:

Clarification

My request is for temporary accommodation only please.

1. How many homeless households you placed in accommodation outside your LA area in the financial year 2023/24. Please provide a breakdown of which local authority areas they were placed. Please also advise how many were with private landlords, in hostels or in hotels.

There were 356 temporary accommodation placements made outside of Coventry in the financial year 2023/24. 55 of these were with private landlords and 301 were in hotels/B&Bs. The breakdown of locations is below.

Please note – this is the number of placements, some households may have been moved (some maybe several times), during their time in temporary accommodation so there will be some duplication of households. Placement figures have been provided so as to be able to give a breakdown of type of placement). The Accommodation Team aim to bring households back to accommodation in Coventry as soon as it becomes available, as long as it is suitable and safe to do so. We currently have 14 households placed outside of the city (as of 12/08/2024).

TA Placement Local Authority Area	Number of placements
Nuneaton and Bedworth	73
Birmingham	210
Derby	33
Nottingham	1
Erewash	2
Leicester	10
Hinckley and Bosworth	3
Rugby	10
Denbighshire	1
North Northamptonshire	1
Warwick	6
Daventry	1
Solihull	1
Walsall	4

2. How many homeless households you placed in accommodation outside your LA area in the financial year 2023/24 where incentive payments were paid upfront to private landlords to accept them. Please advise the total spending (if any) in this respect

None.

3. How many homeless households you placed in accommodation inside your LA area in the financial year 2023/24. Please also advise how many were with private landlords, in hostels or in hotels.

2,929 temporary accommodation placements were made for households in Coventry during the financial year 2023/24. 1773 of these placements were with private landlords, 85 were in hostels, 776 were in hotels/B&Bs, and 295 were in temporary accommodation owned by Coventry City Council. Please note that, as for question 1, this is the number of placements, as some households may have been moved (some maybe several times) during their time in temporary accommodation.

4. How many complaints against private landlords within your LA area you received in the financial year 2023/24 for failing to maintain required minimum standards. How many inspections you carried out as a result and how improvement notices you issued - whether as a result of these complaints or proactively.

We are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act that we do not hold this information. We are unable to separate these figures due to the format that the complaints information is held.

5. How many complaints against private landlords within your LA area you received in the financial year 2023/24 for failing to maintain required minimum standards. How many inspections you carried out as a result and how improvement notices you issued - whether as a result of these complaints or proactively - were for properties that the Council had placed tenants in.

We hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

We would not be able to determine this information without manually checking each individual record. As there are over 700 records to check, this work will take over 18 hours to complete. This part of your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

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If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: infogov@coventry.gov.uk

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our review, you can write to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email icocasework@ico.org.uk.

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

Yours faithfully

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