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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI653169369

Thank you for your request for information relating to Main duty decisions.

You have requested the following information:

In the financial year 2023/24 (ie. April 2023 to March 2024):

1. Total number of main duty decisions

2. Total number of households found to be homeless but with no priority need

For Questions 1 and 2, the information is already published by the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government, available on their website here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/live-tables-on-homelessness>

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

3. Of those where the household was found not in priority need, how many chose to have this decision reviewed?

54 applicants who were found 'not in priority need' requested a review of this decision.

4. Of these, how many saw their decision overturned, and ultimately were found in priority need?

12 of the 54 decisions were overturned and the applicants were found to be in priority need.

5. Of those that sought a review, how many used third-party representation (eg. a lawyer or caseworker)

Out of the 54 reviews, 19 used third-party representation. Of the 12 where the decision was overturned, seven were represented by a third-party.

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