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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 25/26-086, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

We are carrying out a Freedom of Information request to try and ascertain the scale of the funding challenge that local councils are facing in the medium-term future. Please can you answer the following questions:

- 1. What is your current predicted funding gap by the end of the financial year 2026/27?
- 2. What is your current predicted net revenue budget for the financial year 2026/27?
- 3. What is your current predicted cumulative funding gap by the end of the financial year 2027/28? (the total combined predicted funding gap of the financial years 2026/27 and 2027/28)
- 4. What is your current predicted net revenue budget for the financial year 2027/28?

Response:

Figures taken from the 2025/26 budget book (available on the Council's website) are:

- 1 £0
- 2 £15,983,487
- 3 £4,502,091
- 4 £16,394,501

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 25/26-086.

If information has been refused, please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.