

EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-295, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

How many households across your council area have approached the council for advice and support to prevent them becoming homelessness in the past five years.

If possible, please provide data broken down by year by calendar year. If you could break it down from 2018-2022 and then any data you have so far this year.

Response:

This information is published on the Government 'Tables on Homelessness', which can be viewed at: https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/live-tables-on-homelessness

This request is therefore refused under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information Accessible Via Other Means (ABSOLUTE).

In respect of those requests that were answered in full or partially and the total refused please take this as notice under FOIA, that we:

- a) Consider the information as exempt from disclosure under the Act;
- b) Claim exempt under sections of the Act:

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000

c) State why the exemption applies:

The information requested is accessible to you via other means.

Section 21 states the following:

- 1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under Section 1 is exempt information.
- 2) For the purposes of subsection (1) -
- a. Information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and
- b. Information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate. (otherwise, than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-295.

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.