



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-449, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

I write under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act to request Act to request the number of landlords successfully prosecuted between 2018-23 for failing to comply with health and safety regulations.

As part of the request, I'd like the information to be broken down into the following:

- (i) The number of landlords failing to comply with health safety regulations identified by this authority between 2018-23, broken down into years.
- (ii) The number of landlords prosecuted between 2018-23 for failing to comply with health and safety regulations, broken down into years.
- (iii) The number of landlords between 2018-23 who were punished via civil routes for failing to comply with health and safety regulations, broken down into years.
- (iv) The number of housing safety complaints received between 2018-23, broken down into years.
- (v) The number of properties identified with Category 1 hazards, following an assessment using the Housing Health and Safety Rating System, broken down into years and, if possible, types of hazards.

Response:

(i) We record number of complaints, number of HHSRS inspections and since 2019/20 we have been recording number of Cat 1 and Cat 2 hazards identified in properties. We do not record the number of landlords that fail to comply with health and safety regulations as this is a broad and imprecise measure.

(ii) 0

(iii) 0

(iv)

2018 – 61

2019 – 42

2020 – 58

2021 – 76

2022 – 113

2023 – 138

(v) Numbers of Category 1 hazards are recorded for our purposes in financial years, so I have reported this rather than calendar years:

2019/20 – 25 Category 1 hazards.

2020/21 – 13 Category 1 hazards.

2021/22 – 28 Category 1 hazards.

2022/23 – 19 Category 1 hazards.

2023/24 – 25 Category 1 hazards.

We are unable to provide details on each type of hazard that correspond to the Category rating however from a general review of the types of hazards being scored most cases coming out as Category 1 are for excess cold and falls either on steps, stairs, on the level or between levels. All category 1 hazards were addressed through either informal means or through the service of

Hazard Awareness Notices, Improvement Notices, Prohibition Orders or undertaking Emergency Remedial Actions.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-449.

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.