

Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-484, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

May I have some further details with regard to FOI/EIR 23/24-315, please? I note that private enforcement agents were instructed in respect of Council Tax on 1246 occasions during the period April 2022/23.

Can you please let me know the amounts of the debts involved? Also, in which wards the properties are, the type of property and into which Tax band they fall?

I shall be obliged if you can also let me have similarly categorised information in respect of the 27 cases which relate to taken action following overpayments of Housing Benefit.

I would also like to know the locations and types of businesses involved in relation to the 53 cases involving Business rates, and the amounts in each case.

Finally, I note that ECDC has not adopted the Citizens Advice/LGA Council Tax Protocol. Can someone advise please if the terms of the other protocols which ECDC adheres to replicate this protocol exactly, and if not what the differences are?

Response:		
Council Tax		
Total amount referred: £1,161,385.37		
Parish Name	Band	Count
Ashley Parish Council	A	4
Ashley Parish Council	В	3
Ashley Parish Council	С	4
Bottisham Parish Council	A	6
Bottisham Parish Council	В	8
Bottisham Parish Council	С	9
Bottisham Parish Council	F	1
Brinkley Parish Council	В	1
Brinkley Parish Council	С	2
Burrough Green Parish Council	В	2
Burrough Green Parish Council	С	2
Burrough Green Parish Council	E	1
Burwell Parish Council	A	7
Burwell Parish Council	В	31
Burwell Parish Council	С	18
Burwell Parish Council	D	7
Burwell Parish Council	E	2
Cheveley Parish Council	A	3
Cheveley Parish Council	В	3
Cheveley Parish Council	С	12
Cheveley Parish Council	D	3
Cheveley Parish Council	F	2

Cheveley Parish Council	G	2
Chippenham Parish Council	A	8
Chippenham Parish Council	E	2
City of Ely Parish Council	A	81
City of Ely Parish Council	В	123
City of Ely Parish Council	C	20
City of Ely Parish Council	D	6
City of Ely Parish Council	E	7
City of Ely Parish Council	F	4
Coveney Parish Council	A	1
Coveney Parish Council	B	4
Coveney Parish Council	E	1
Coveney Parish Council	F	2
Dullingham Parish Council	A	2
Dullingham Parish Council	C	2
Dullingham Parish Council	D	2
Dullingham Parish Council	E	1
Dullingham Parish Council	F	1
Dullingham Parish Council	G	1
Fordham Parish Council	A	6
Fordham Parish Council	B	15
Fordham Parish Council	C	32
Fordham Parish Council	D	10
Fordham Parish Council	E	3
Fordham Parish Council	F	3
Haddenham Parish Council	A	10
Haddenham Parish Council	B	7
Haddenham Parish Council	C	8
Haddenham Parish Council	D	2
Haddenham Parish Council	E	4
Haddenham Parish Council	F	1
Isleham Parish Council	A	19
Isleham Parish Council	В	17
Isleham Parish Council	С	7
Isleham Parish Council	D	5
Isleham Parish Council	E	3
Kennett Parish Council	A	2
Kennett Parish Council	С	5
Kirtling Parish Council	В	2
Kirtling Parish Council	С	1
Little Downham Parish Council	A	7
Little Downham Parish Council	В	20
Little Downham Parish Council	С	1
Little Downham Parish Council	D	6
Little Downham Parish Council	E	3
Little Thetford Parish Council	В	3
Little Thetford Parish Council	С	1
Littleport Parish Council	A	58
Littleport Parish Council	В	102
Littleport Parish Council	С	22
Littleport Parish Council	D	8

Littleport Parish Council	E	6
Lode Parish Council	A	4
Lode Parish Council	B	1
Lode Parish Council	C	3
Lode Parish Council	E	2
Lode Parish Council	<u>_</u>	1
Mepal Parish Council	B	10
Mepal Parish Council	C	2
Mepal Parish Council	D	2
Mepal Parish Council	E	3
Reach Parish Council	C	1
Snailwell Parish Council	A	2
Snailwell Parish Council	C	2
Snailwell Parish Council	D	3
Soham Town Council	A	96
Soham Town Council	B	128
Soham Town Council	C	22
Soham Town Council	D	6
Soham Town Council	E	2
Soham Town Council	F	1
Stetchworth Parish Council	A	3
Stetchworth Parish Council	B	4
Stetchworth Parish Council	C	1
Stetchworth Parish Council	F	1
Stretham Parish Council	A	1
Stretham Parish Council	B	17
Stretham Parish Council	C	3
Sutton Parish Council	A	2
Sutton Parish Council	B	30
Sutton Parish Council	C	9
Sutton Parish Council	D	9
Sutton Parish Council	D	2
Swaffham Bulbeck Parish Council	В	4
Swaffham Bulbeck Parish Council	C	4
Swaffham Bulbeck Parish Council	E	<u> </u>
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Swaffham Bulbeck Parish Council	B	2
Swaffham Prior Parish Council Swaffham Prior Parish Council	C	2
Wentworth Parish Council	A	<u> </u>
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Westley Waterless Parish Council Wicken Parish Council	В	<u> </u>
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Wicken Parish Council	D	2
Wicken Parish Council	E	
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Wicken Parish Council		
Wilburton Parish Council	A B	8
Wilburton Parish Council		2
Wilburton Parish Council	F	2
Witcham Parish Council	E	2
Witchford Parish Council	A	4
Witchford Parish Council	В	9

Witchford Parish Council	С	5
Witchford Parish Council	D	1
Witchford Parish Council	E	2
Witchford Parish Council	F	1
Woodditton Parish Council	В	3
Woodditton Parish Council	C	2
Woodditton Parish Council	D	4
Woodditton Parish Council	G	1

Our system provider provided the following explanation regarding the types of properties: With regard to the type of property (private, social, rental), I've conducted as exhaustive a search as I can to try and tie this information to the extract. Unfortunately, however, I have not been able to locate this information as it does not appear to be a data column held within your ctproperty table.

Housing Benefit Total amount referred: £41,382.07.

Parish	Band	Count
Bottisham Parish Council	D	1
Burwell Parish Council	В	1
City of Ely Parish Council	А	3
City of Ely Parish Council	В	2
City of Ely Parish Council	D	1
Fordham Parish Council	А	2
Haddenham Parish Council	В	1
Little Downham Parish Council	А	1
Littleport Parish Council	В	1
Soham Town Council	А	1
Soham Town Council	В	2
Stetchworth Parish Council	А	2
Stretham Parish Council	В	5
Witchford Parish Council	В	4
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Business Rates

Total amount referred: £291,559.29

Parish Name	Property Description	Count
BOTTISHAM	SHOP	1
BURROUGH GREEN	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	1
BURWELL	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	1
BURWELL	PUBLIC HOUSE	2
DULLINGHAM	UNCLASSIFIED	2
ELY	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	11
ELY	PUBLIC HOUSE	1
ELY	SHOP	3
LITTLEPORT	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	6
LITTLEPORT	PUBLIC HOUSE	5
LITTLEPORT	RESTAURANT	1
LITTLEPORT	SHOP	2
LITTLEPORT	SHOWROOM	1

REACH	PUBLIC HOUSE	1
SNAILWELL	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	1
SOHAM	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	7
STRETHAM	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	1
SWAFFHAM BULBECK	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	2
SWAFFHAM PRIOR	PUBLIC HOUSE	1
WICKEN	PUBLIC HOUSE	1
WITCHFORD	NO DESCRIPTION HELD	2

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The only difference between the Citizens Advice Council Tax protocol and that which ECDC follows are that the Protocol recommends using the Standard Financial Statement, however ECDC, under ARP, use our own well stablished Income & Expenditure form which we refer to as a TRIP form (Temporary Reduced Instalment Plan).

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-484.

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.