



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 24/25-088, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

We kindly request the information in the query below (Requests A-C). In all requests '2023-2024' refers to the financial year from April 2023 to March 2024.

A) We are requesting data on homelessness presentations, assessments, and eligibility (Questions 1-8) for each quarter of this financial year (below) and the total for 2023-2024:

Quarter 1: 1st April - 30th June 2023

Quarter 2: 1st July - 30th September 2023

Quarter 3: 1st October - 31st December 2023

Quarter 4: 1st January - 31st March 2024

Annual total: 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

1) In your authority in 2023-2024, how many 16–24-year-olds presented themselves as homeless, or at risk of homelessness, as a main applicant?

This does not include general housing advice. By presenting we mean all who presented themselves as homeless even if they were not subsequently assessed. This might include individuals who presented before 56 days of becoming homeless, or at risk of homelessness, believed they were homeless but did not meet requirement, presented but were not eligible for homelessness assistance.

2) In your authority in 2023-2024, how many 16-24 year olds were included as part of any household presenting as homeless or at risk of homelessness, including as main applicant? *This would include either or both members of a couple aged 16-24, or any children or other adults aged 16-24 included as part of a family. If it is only possible to provide age data for the main applicant, please leave this question blank.*

3) In your authority in 2023-2024, how many 16-24 year olds were assessed for a Prevention and/or Relief duty under part 7 of the Housing Act?

While this assessment is a new duty brought in by the HRA, it is a duty under part 7 of the Housing Act as amended by the HRA.

4) In your authority in 2023-2024, how many 16–24-year-olds received an initial decision of being owed:

a - Prevention duty under HRA

b - Relief duty under HRA

5) Prevention duty ended:

a - With accommodation secured

b - Leading to relief duty

c - Any other reason

6) Relief ended:

a - With accommodation secured

b - for any other reason (not including those who progress to an assessment under the Housing Act 1996)

7) In your authority in 2023-2024, how many 16–24-year-olds were assessed for a statutory main housing duty under part 7 of the Housing Act

By this we mean following unsuccessful prevention and/or relief outcomes, how many young people underwent a final assessment under part 7 of the Housing Act in order to assess their eligibility for a statutory main housing duty

8) In your authority in 2023-2024, how many 16–24-year-olds were accepted as statutorily homeless and owed a statutory main housing duty under part 6 of the Housing Act 1996?

After undergoing a final assessment, how many young people were accepted as statutorily homeless and offered a statutory main housing duty.

B) In addition, we are also requesting totals for 2023-24 for questions 1-8 broken down by gender (male, female, and other/not known)

C) We are also requesting totals for 2023-24 for questions 1-3 broken down by the following nationality categories (UK, EEA, non-EEA and other)

Response:

Please see attachment. Please note that for Q2 we are unable to retrieve this information within the time limit allowed.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 24/25-088.

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.

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