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Dear Mr White

**Re: Your request for information**

Thank you for your email dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2011. As the information you requested is not personal or environmental it has been processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I have investigated your request and the answers to your questions are as follows:

1. *The annual expenditure on housing benefit for each of the last three years.*

Financial Year	Amount (£)
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2008 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2009	105,437,333.74
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2009 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2010	122,826,563.72
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2010 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2011	125,973,607.66

2. *The average number of housing benefits claimants for each of the last three years.*

Financial Year	Average Housing Benefit Claimants
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2008 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2009	30,465
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2009 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2010	32,653
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2010 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2011	34,085

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Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Williamson', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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For and on behalf of the Information Governance Office