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Our Reference: FOI-72083704



Mr. Chait

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Dear Mr. Chait

I refer to your recent request for information from this Authority. Our response to your request is below. You have the right to request an internal review if you are not satisfied with any aspect of the way we have handled your request for information or its content. Once an internal review has been conducted and you still remain dissatisfied you may complain to the Information Commissioner who will decide whether the request has been handled properly.

Please note: The Information Commissioner cannot generally make a decision unless our internal review process has first been exhausted. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely,

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Subject: Complete Non-Residential / Business Property Rates Data (Q2 2018)

Details of Request:

In terms of the Freedom of Information Act of 2000, and subject to section 40(2) on personal data, could you please provide me with a complete and up-to-date list of all business (non-residential) property rates data for your local authority, and including the following fields:

- Billing Authority Property Reference Code (linking the property to the VOA database reference)
- Firm's Trading Name (i.e. property occupant)

- Full Property Address (Number, Street, Postal Code, Town)
- Occupied / Vacant
- Date of Occupation / Vacancy
- Actual annual rates charged (in Pounds)

If you are unable to provide an absolute "Occupation / Vacancy" status, please provide the Exemptions and / or Reliefs that a particular property may be receiving.

Please provide these data as machine-readable as either a CSV or Microsoft Excel file, capable of re-use, and under terms of the Open Government Licence (meaning reuse for any and all purposes, including commercial).

I last requested this data three months ago, and this is a request for an updated and current dataset.

I'm sure you get many requests for business rates and responding and managing these FOIs must be costly for you. Could I request that - as 65% of local authorities now do - you update and release this dataset via a dedicated page on your local authority website or on an open data service. I can recommend approaches for you to consider, and you should find that this reduces the time and cost of this request process.

This information is held

Response:

Please see attached spreadsheets

End of Request

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