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Our ref: 571714



Mr S Staffordson

Dear Mr Staffordson

Freedom of Information Act 2000

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by Durham County Council.

You have not asked for recorded information. If the statement is that "There is no council tax regulation which relates to the allocation of cash"

It does not follow that this means that there is no law that mention the allocation of cash.

As such, you are asking for something which cannot logically exist since the statement above did not assert that no law existed only that no council tax regulation relates to the allocation of cash.

Please note that the FOIA is not a method to resolve council tax disputes. Should you persist in using the FOIA for a purpose for which it is not designed we will consider future requests under the ICO's guidance for vexatious requests which is based on section 14 of the FOIA.

Please also note that if have a dispute regarding your council tax, you need to raise it with the council tax service directly as they are responsible for managing the council tax and will respond to your questions in line with their responsibilities. <https://www.durham.gov.uk/counciltax>

Please quote the reference number 571714 in any future communications.

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Please put your grounds for an appeal in writing and email us back explaining which internal review applies.

- Late (you want us to explain why the response was late or has not yet been provided)
- Disagree with exemption (wrong exemption, or applied incorrectly)
- Disagree with the public interest test (Explain in detail why you believe the public interest test favours disclosure.)
- Request is incomplete, information is missing (indicate what is missing), information is inaccurate Information is not what was requested.

Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to inforigxxx@xxxxxx.xxv.uk

If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF.
Telephone: 01625 545 700
Website: www.ico.gov.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Lawrence Serewicz
Information and Records Manager

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