

Maidstone Borough Council

Freedom of Information Act Request

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### **Request and Response**

**Q. 1. i.) Please state the local authority's expenditure (including use of Government grants) on clearing the arrears of tenants in the following financial years.**

- a. 2017/2018**
- b. 2018/2019**
- c. 2019/2020**
- d. 2020/2021**
- e. 2021/2022**

In the table below we have provided the expenditure funded from the Rough Sleeper Initiative (RSI) grant on clearing arrears, however please note that these figures may also include rent deposits and guarantees paid out in the year.

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
2017/2018	£0.00
2018/2019	£29,156.83
2019/2020	£15,246.45
2020/2021	£19,583.81
2021/2022	£27,369.07

**ii.) For each of the above years, please provide a breakdown of expenditure on clearing the arrears of council housing tenants, housing association tenants and private rental sector tenants.**

Under section 1(1)(a) of the FOI Act, following a search of our paper and electronic records I have established that this information is not held. This is because we do not record a breakdown of this expenditure by council housing tenants, housing association tenants and private rental sector tenants.

**Q. 2. i.) Please state the local authority's expenditure (including use of Government grants) on discretionary housing payments to assist ongoing renting costs of tenants in the following years.**

- a. 2017/2018**
- b. 2018/2019**

- c. 2019/2020
- d. 2020/2021
- e. 2021/2022

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>TOTAL SPENT</b>	<b>NUMBER OF AWARDS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF NON-AWARDS</b>	<b>TOTAL CASES</b>
2017/2018	£305,675.31	304	296	600
2018/2019	£319,920.43	330	331	631
2019/2020	£302,510.00	355	365	720
2020/2021	£406,051.00	407	183	590
2021/2022	£327,311.00	365	153	518

**ii.) For each of the above years, please provide a breakdown of expenditure on assisting the ongoing renting costs of council housing tenants, housing association tenants and private rental sector tenants.**

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