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Our Ref FOI 039.22 - HMO Licensing Enforcement

#### Dear Sir or Madam

Thank you for your email to Epsom and Ewell Borough Council dated 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022, requesting information under The Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Council aims to respond to requests for information promptly, however on this occasion we have not met the statutory timeframe of twenty working days and for this we sincerely apologise.

We hold the information requested

Your request is in bold below followed by the Council's response.

#### You have requested

### Q1]

Since 6th April 2017, how many convictions was the council aware of (in relation to its housing area) to which Chapter 4 (Rent Repayment Orders) of The Housing and Planning Act 2016 (HaPA) applied? These convictions should include any Civil Penalty Notice (CPN) issued by the council. None.

# Q2]

Of the convictions the council was aware of in answer to Q1, how many did the council consider for a Rent Repayment Order application by the council? N.A.

# Q3]

Of the convictions the council was aware of in answer to Q1, for how many did the council make a Rent Repayment Order application? N.A.

### Q4]

Does the council have a process for making the decision referred to in Q2], and if so, what is that process? The Council does not have a documented process.

### **Appeals Procedure**

I trust that this information satisfies your request. The Council strives to be an open, transparent authority. Please note that the Council operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Council's website at:

https://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk/council/about-council/freedom-information

If you are unhappy with the way the Council has dealt with your request, please set out in writing your grounds of appeal within 40 working days of this response and send it to:

# FOIDPA@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Council review procedures and you are still not satisfied, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office to independently review the matter. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website:: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/">https://ico.org.uk/</a>

The Information Commissioner can also be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF Or by calling 0303 123 1113 (local rate) Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm.

Yours faithfully

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