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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 18/19-313 please find your question and our response below.

## Request:

"I searched on your website and couldn't find a copy of your 2018 HMO Licence Register as prescribed under the Housing Act 2004 s.232 (1) and the information that is required to be maintained within the register is described in The Licensing and Management of Houses in Multiple occupation and Other Houses (Miscellaneous Provisions) (England) Regulations 2006.

The latter is extracted here for convenience:  
Registers of Licences

11.—(1) The following particulars are prescribed for each entry in a register established and maintained under section 232(1)(a) of the Act in respect of a licence granted under Part 2 (HMOs) or 3 (selective licensing) of the Act which is in force—

- (a) HMO Property Address
- (b) HMO Licence Holder(s) Full Name
- (c) HMO Licence Holders Correspondence Address
- (d) HMO Managers Name
- (e) HMO Managers Address
- (f) A short description of the licensed HMO or house;
- (g) A summary of the conditions of the licence;
- (h) Date of Licence Commencement
- (l) Date of Licence Expiry
- (j) Duration of Licence
- (k) Licence Number
- (l) Number of Households
- (m) Maximum Number of Occupants
- (n) Number of Units/Bedrooms
- (o) Number of Self Contained Units
- (p) Number of Non Self Contained Units
- (q) Number of Storeys
- (r) Number of Kitchens
- (s) Number of Reception
- (t) Number of Bathrooms
- (u) Number of Separate WCs

A reply using Excel format would be very helpful.

## Response:

In respect of those requests that were answered in full or partially and the total refused please take this as notice under FOIA, that we:

- a) Consider the information as exempt from disclosure under the Act;
- b) Claim exempt under sections of the Act:

### **Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

- c) State why the exemption applies:

***The information requested is accessible to you via other means. The information is available on***

our website at: <https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/licensing/houses-multiple-occupancy-hmo-licence>

**Section 21 states the following:**

- 1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under Section 1 is exempt information.**
- 2) For the purposes of subsection (1) –**
  - a. Information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and**
  - b. Information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.**

**Therefore as the Council publish this information, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Act.**

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 18/19-313

If information has been refused please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach [foi@eastcambs.gov.uk](mailto:foi@eastcambs.gov.uk). and request a review.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.