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Freedom of Information Act 2000

Dear Emily Thomas

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Birmingham City Council. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you.

Request

To whom this may concern,

I am seeking information from your local authority under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), regarding the topic of homelessness in your area. My questions are as follows:

- * What was the number of people found to be rough sleeping in the area administered by the council in each of the years from 2010 ' 2018?
- * What was the number of people found to be homeless in the area administered by the council in each of the years from 2010 to 2018?
- * How much was spent by the council on schemes aimed at tackling homelessness in each of the years between 2010 and 2018?
- * How much was spent by the council on 'Housing First' style schemes aimed at tackling homelessness in each of the years between 2010 and 2018?
- * How much was spent by the council from Government grants on 'Housing First' style schemes aimed at tackling homelessness in each of the years between 2010-2018?

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined, I would be grateful for any further advice and assistance.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via email and I will be pleased to clarify what I am asking for and discuss the request.

Thank you very much for your help regarding this topic, I look forward to you reply in the near future.

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Response

Question 1 What was the number of people found to be rough sleeping in the area administered by the council in each of the years from 2010–2018?

| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 9 | 7 | 8 | 14 | 20 | 36 | 55 | 57 | 91 |

Question 2 What was the number of people found to be homeless in the area administered by the council in each of the years from 2010 to 2018?

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|---|-------|-------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Homeless in Priority Need | 4,207 | 3,929 | 3,957 | 3,160 | 3,140 | 3,524 |
| Homeless and not in Priority Need | 1,707 | 1,167 | 906 | 659 | 448 | 426 |
| Homeless Intentional | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 Q1 | 2018 Q2 | 2018 Q3 | 2018 Q4 |
| Homeless in Priority Need | 3,479 | 3,386 | 493 | 472 | 0* | 0* |
| Homeless and not in Priority Need | 431 | 395 | 16 | 88 | 0* | 0* |
| | | | | | | |

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Question 3 How much was spent by the council on schemes aimed at tackling homelessness in each of the years between 2010 and 2018?

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Homeless

Intentional

^{*}Birmingham is one of 4 local authorities (5 in quarter 3) that did not provide data (since the introduction of the HRAct)

| Year | Gross Expenditure £000's |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| 2009/10 | 16,203 |
| 2010/11 | 15,590 |
| 2011/12 | 13,285 |
| 2012/13 | 13,607 |
| 2013/14 | 15,254 |
| 2014/15 | 17,648 |
| 2015/16 | 17,640 |
| 2016/17 | 19,861 |
| 2017/18 | 30,376 |

Question 4 How much was spent by the council on 'Housing First' style schemes aimed at tackling homelessness in each of the years between 2010 and 2018?

Nil

Question 5 How much was spent by the council from Government grants on 'Housing First' style schemes aimed at tackling homelessness in each of the years between 2010-2018?

The Council spent £39,658 in 2018/19 on Housing First. This was the first year of spend on this scheme.

Please quote the reference number 9288358 in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days from the date this authority issued its initial response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Corporate Information Governance Team PO Box 16366
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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:

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The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF.

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I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully Digital and Customer Services

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