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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 22/23-048 please find your question and our response below.

## Request:

I write to request information on the number of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) individuals who made a homeless application as legally homeless and/or being threatened with homelessness between January 2018 and April 2022.

As part of this request, I would like the information to be broken down into the following:

- (i) The number of individuals making a homeless application while 'legally homeless' since 2018, broken down into sexual orientation (including transgender), per month, per year and grand total;
- (ii) The number of individuals making a homeless application 'threatened with homelessness' since 2018, broken down into sexual orientation (including transgender), per month, per year and grand total;
- (iii) The number of individuals supported into accommodation (temporary/emergency) since 2018, broken down into sexual orientation (including transgender), per month, per year and grand total;
- (iv) The number of individuals owed a prevention and/or relief duty since 2018, broken down into sexual orientation (including transgender), per month, per year and grand total;
- (v) The number of individuals to date, still waiting to be supported into accommodation, broken down by sexual orientation (including transgender).

(\*Individuals defined as anyone between the ages of 16-80 years-old).

## Response:

Sexual orientation is not a compulsory question recorded on our government returns, and we do not record this information independently.

In respect of those requests that are answered in full, partially or 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 12(4)(a) – Information Not Held**

- c) State why the exemption applies:

**Regulation 12 (4) a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received.**

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 22/23-048

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. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

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.