



# Freedom of Information Request FOI1366

## Request:

1. In each of the last 5 years, what was the total expenditure on housing for military veterans who have been made homeless and have sought assistance from the local authority?
2. In each of the last 5 years, what was the total expenditure from homelessness services, including specific amounts for the Housing Revenue Account?
3. What data does the local authority collect to identify and address the specific needs of military veterans?

Submitted on 18/06/19.

## Response:

1. In each of the last 5 years, what was the total expenditure on housing for military veterans who have been made homeless and have sought assistance from the local authority?

**This information is not held to this detail, however, the authority employs an Armed Forces Officer who looks after all aspects of Housing for Armed Forces Personnel.**

2. In each of the last 5 years, what was the total expenditure from homelessness services, including specific amounts for the Housing Revenue Account?

**18/19 - £901,527.66**

**17/18 - £748,234.66**

**16/17 - £782,353.95**

**15/16 - £814,175.22**

**14/15 - £931,198.76**

**Please note these figures are for expenditure only, income is also received towards the cost of these services.**

3. What data does the local authority collect to identify and address the specific needs of military veterans?

**The Authority does not hold any specific data to identify military veterans within the borough. We are aware that the Health Authority holds some data collated from GP practices but this data is only shared with the Local Authority in a summary format for data protection reasons. As detailed above the Authority has a dedicated Armed Forces Officer who provides support related to housing and associated issues for those within the Armed Forces Community. The Armed Forces Officer collates and holds client data, with permission from the client, related to individual clients needs. The following categories are used to record the data and to monitor the support needs presented by the clients:**

**Presenting with a housing issue, either homeless, at risk of homeless, those leaving the military needing supporting with an housing application Financial support to address debt Mental Health Substance Misuse Social Isolation Employment Education Offending Adult Social Care**