

Freedom of Information Request FOI1749

Request:

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?

Submitted on 20/09/19.

Response:

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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 - 8 people were found to be sleeping rough.

2011 - 8 people were found to be sleeping rough.

2012 - 3 people were found to be sleeping rough.

2013 - 0 people were found to be sleeping rough.

2014 - 0 people were found to be sleeping rough.

2015 - 1 person was found to be sleeping rough.

2016 - 1 person was found to be sleeping rough.

2017 - 2 people were found to be sleeping rough.

2018 - 3 people were found to be sleeping rough.

The information above is based on the annual rough sleeper return.

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 - 219

2011/2012 - 128

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2012/2013 - 168

2013/2014 - 177

2014/2015 - 191

2015/2016 - 149

2016/2017 - 167

2017/2018 - 179

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

- The council operates an in Housing Advice service aimed at tackling homelessness, the cost of this service is detailed below:\
- 2010/11 £310.028\
- 2011/12 £298,825\
- 2012/13 £338,092\
- 2013/14 £481,293\
- 2014/15 £530,985\
- 2015/16 £467,547\
- 2016/17 £497,539\
- 2017/18 £455,588

The council were also involved in supporting other schemes, however, these were funded by 3rd parties

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?

The council does not have a specific budget for 'Housing First' style schemes. The principles of Housing First are incorporated within aspects of the homelessness prevention services which are commissioned by the council from the external provider market.

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 does not have a specific budget for 'Housing First' style schemes. The principles of Housing First are incorporated within aspects of the homelessness prevention services which are commissioned by the council from the external provider market. These services are not funded through 'government grants'.