

Dear

I am writing to you in reply to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to Nottinghamshire County Council. I have the following information.

1. For each year, what was the total paid out on Specialist Supported Housing under the Exempt category, 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 (financial)?

We only pay SSH providers directly for rental voids. These are total payments in the last 3 years:

Total Rental Voids 2016/17: £56,842

Total Rental Voids 2017/18: £106,631

Total Rental Voids 2018/19: £269,538

2. How much (if any) was paid out each financial year (2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19) to the following providers, if possible, please note

(a.) how much was paid for accommodation costs (e.g. rent: through Local Housing Allowance rates etc.)

This is a District Council responsibility. The County Council does not pay rents for individuals.

(b.) how much was paid for in-house support services (e.g. service charge, for Care Support and Supervision, etc.)

The Council pays care and support providers for the provision of support and care services, Specialist Supported Housing Providers are not paid for care and support. Service charges are paid through Housing Benefit by District Councils not the County Council.

c.) how many people were housed as a result of referrals by the council for accommodation in properties run by each provider (and each year)

The council does not record information on the number of referrals into this type of accommodation.

3. Since April 2019, please provide:

(a.) the names of all Registered Providers paid by the council to provide Specialist Supported Housing under the Exempt category since April 2019 to date

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Best

Framework Housing Association

Golden Lane

Inclusion

Nottingham Community Housing Association

Progress

(b.) how much was paid to each since April 2019.

I can confirm that we are withholding this information under S43(2) of FOIA on the grounds that release would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the county council and its business partners.

If you have any queries or concerns then please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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