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Dear [name redacted]

Freedom of Information – Request for Information

With regards to your recent enquiry for information held by the Authority under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Please find the information you requested below with reference in the box to your original enquiry for clarity where multiple answers are required.

Details of Your Request

How much is spent by your council on housing “statutory homeless households” (which your council owes a duty to under the Housing Act 1996) in temporary accommodation

I'd like to see the above information broken down between temporary housing in: Bed and breakfast hotels (including shared annexes), Hostels (including Women's refuges), Local Authority or Housing association stock (if any), Leased from the Private Sector by an LA or HA, Leased form Private Landlords, and those who there is a duty owed but no accommodation secured.

Could you send the comparable figures for the last eight years years (since 2008).

The response to your request as follows:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Bed and Breakfast	£76,013.36	£27,340.46	£28,798.07	£39,748.87	£31,253.70	£60,613.26	£178,430.15	£237,268.44
Private Sector Leasing	£7,155.80	£15,767.22	£16,848.53	£24,681.63	£26,701.25	£25,672.12	£25,322.40	£27,693.67
Homes for Homeless	£15,274.80	£3,931.20						
Accommodation provided by other authorities						£6,717.89		

We do not separate out into what we pay for Section 188 accommodation (TA prior to making a homeless decision) and a S193 duty (accommodation once we have accepted a homeless application – these would be those we have accepted a statutory duty to as referred to in the FOI request)

In terms of the query about spend on those “*who there is a duty owed but no accommodation secured*” If we have not secured accommodation then there will be no cost to us – we do have cases where we have accepted a duty, but they remain with friends or family so this is at zero cost to us as an authority.

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Yours Sincerely

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