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9th November 2016

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

I write with a request for information under the FOIA.

My request is as follows:

- * Please disclose the budget allocated to deal with rough sleeping in your area for each of the last five years;*
- * Please disclose the budget allocated to deal with homelessness in your area for each of the last five years;*
- * Please disclose the number of places in shelters/hostels etc for the homeless in your area for each of the last five years;*
- * Please provide the number - or estimate - of homeless people in your area for each of the last five years;*
- * Please provide the number - or estimate - of people sleeping rough in your area for each of the last five years.*

The response to your request as follows:

- This information is considered publically available using the following links:
<http://www.tamworth.gov.uk/our-accounts>
<http://www.tamworth.gov.uk/budget-book-and-reports>
<http://www.tamworth.gov.uk/housing-policies> therefore exemption s21 of the act is applied to this part of your request where we are not obliged to provide information accessible by other means.
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- None

- This information is considered publically available using the following link <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/live-tables-on-homelessness#detailed-local-authority-level-responses> therefore exemption s21 of the act is applied to this part of your request where we are not obliged to provide information accessible by other means
- The annual rough sleeper estimate for previous years is publicly available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/rough-sleeping-in-england-autumn-2015> therefore exemption s21 of the act is applied to this part of your request where we are not obliged to provide information accessible by other means.

To note:

Additionally since February 2016 we have recorded 40 rough sleepers within the area, however 6 of which the identity has been unknown and therefor may be duplicated within the figure of 40.

It is also important to consider that not all of these recorded have been verified as rough sleeping.

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Details of Tamworth Borough Council's internal review and complaints procedure are attached, in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Yours Sincerely

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