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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FOI-17-1874 - Council Tax Reduction Scheme  
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**Attachments:** [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)  
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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request of 5 December 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

**With regard to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme, I am looking to find out the number of households in your council area who have:**

**(a) applied for; and**

**(b) been awarded; or**

**(c) refused;**

**Council Tax Reduction because the changes to the scheme which came in on 1 April 2017 under what is known as the "Low Income Household Exemption", i.e. for those people in bands E-H and on a low income.**

**These are people who have gained eligibility only from 1 April 2017 based on The Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2016 the <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2016/253/contents/made>.**

**They may have applied for their new entitlement earlier than the 1 April 2017.**

**I appreciate that you may not be able to break the data of the number of applications, awarded, and refused, however if the information can detail how many have been awarded at the date of this email (or the date a report is extracted) that would be appreciated.**

**I have previously requested similar information, however the response received is now out of date, and I request the information since the start of the financial year.**

**In accordance with section 11 of FOISA (Means of providing information - <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2002/13/section/11>) please complete the attached excel file.**

Please see the completed excel file attached.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Webster  
Information Compliance Officer

#### **INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST**

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of

Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

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	a) applied (or claimed)	b) awarded	c) refused	Total
Number of households	199	96	103	199