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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EIR-17-0080 - Empty Homes
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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request of 12 January 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

Under the Freedom of Information Act can I ask for the following information from your authority:

- 1. How many empty homes has your authority registered as vacant in the financial year 2015/2016. To clarify, I would like to know how many properties were vacant at a particular time i.e. 31st March 2016**

As at 31st March 2016 Aberdeen City Council had 363 vacant properties.

Of those properties:

- 122 were classified as never to be re-let due to demolition or disposal
- 18 were unable to be re-let due to major works required on the properties
- 223 were classified as being available for re-let.

- 2. How many of those properties have lay vacant for over a) two years b) five years and c) ten years**

Of the 122 never to be re-let;

- 12 have been vacant for > 10 years
- 3 have been vacant for > 5 years
- 6 have been vacant for > 2 years

Of the 18 unable to be re-let

- none had been vacant more than 10 years
- 3 had been vacant for > 5 years
- 2 had been vacant for > 2 years

Of the 223 available for re-let

- none had been vacant for more than 10 years
- none had been vacant for more than 5 years
- 3 had been vacant for more than 2 years

- 3. In the year 2016-2017 how many of those homes have been brought into use? By that I mean is now occupied?**

Of the 241 properties that could be re-let 239 of them are now occupied.

4. How many Empty Dwelling Management Orders (EDMOS) has your authority used in the last five years?

Empty Dwelling Management Orders (EDMOS) are a legal device used in England and Wales. There is no Scottish equivalent.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Nicky Leiper

Information Compliance Officer

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

As the information which you requested is environmental information, as defined under Regulation 2(1) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (the EIRs), ACC considered that it was exempt from release through FOISA, and must therefore give you notice that we are refusing your request under Section 39(2) of FOISA (Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002). However, you have a separate right to access the information which you have requested under Regulation 5 of the EIRs, under which ACC has handled your request. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under the EIRs.

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