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To:

Subject: FOI-17-0582 - Policies on Social Housing

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Attachments: Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf

Dear

Thank you for your information request of 13 April 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

I would like to know your full range of policies and guidance in relation to the use of rented social housing as a bed and breakfast business by your tenants and those in Housing Association accommodation.

I understand that the term bed and breakfast covers a range of business and other models including those such as Air BNB.

It is a condition of the Council's lease agreement that tenants must not run any kind of business, or allow any kind of business to be run, from the house without the Council's written permission. There is no specific policy relating to requests for use of the council property for the purpose of running a bed and breakfast business.

In considering requests, the Council would need to be mindful of the impact on neighbours, overcrowding, the suitability of any occupant, the charges being applied, any registrations required by the tenant, adaptations to the property or any other reasonable ground.

It is also a requirement that the tenant notify the Council of any changes in occupancy at the property.

Whilst the Council would not unreasonably refuse permission, it is a requirement that the tenant is advised of all reasons for declining a request. In the event of any refusal the tenant has a right of recourse to a Sheriff.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Information Compliance Team

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

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