From: Foi Enquiries

To:
Subject: FOI-17-0612 - Re-Lets
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Attachments: Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf

Dear

Your reference:

Thank you for your information request of 20 April 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

I write to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and, where applicable, under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. I am requesting information relating to the financial year from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016, or the equivalent financial year for the council.

## Re-Lets:

- 1. If you have council owned, residential property (i.e. housing subject to the housing revenue account, owned by your council), please provide the following:
- a) the number of properties if any managed by the council? 22,041
- **b)** the number of properties if any managed by an ALMO?
- c) if any property is managed by an ALMO, please provide the name of the ALMO(s). Not applicable.

I would also like further information relating only to council owned residential properties that are managed by the council and not by an ALMO ("council managed properties"). This information should relate to re-lets taking place during the year 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.

- 2. The total number of re-lets of council managed properties. These are lets of properties that previously had tenants and were made vacant for any reason (eg eviction, abandonment, tenant passing away) during the year. 1,696.
- 3. The average number of weeks from the council managed properties becoming empty (for any reason) to them being re-let during the year.
  7.37
- 4. The total amount of rent not collected in the void period between one tenant leaving and another moving in during the year.

£809,263.35

5. If the council does not hold this specific information at Questions 3 or 4 I request that the

council provides the information it does hold from which these figures may be calculated. I request for each re-let:

- a) the dates a residential property is vacated.
- b) the dates when new tenants start to pay rent.
- c) the amount of rent not collected due to voids between 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 (even where the property is not re-let in the year).
- d) If the data described at questions 5a to 5c is held in a database or spreadsheet then please provide this, with any information classed as personal information under the Data Protection Act removed or redacted.

Not applicable, please see our response above.

6. The total amount spent on clearance, repairs, maintenance and/or cleaning in the period between a property becoming empty and it being re-let, at all council managed properties and re-let during the year.

Our records indicate that the Council spent £4,892,045 during the 2015 / 2016 financial year on void properties.

If the council does not hold this specific information described at Question 6 I request that the council provides the information it does hold from which this figure may be calculated. I request:

7. Any one database or spreadsheet holding data relating to the amount spent on clearance, repairs, maintenance and/or cleaning on each property during the year; and whether the property where the maintenance takes place is vacant or occupied at the time. Please provide that after excluding any information which would be considered personal information under the Data Protection Act.

Not applicable, please see our response above.

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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