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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI-17-0812 - Council Tax Arrears
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request of 8 June 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

1) In financial year 2015-16, how many cases of perceived council tax arrears were there in your council?

The details below indicate the number of Council Tax accounts in arrears which progressed through the different stages of recovery.

It should be noted that where there is more than one liable person named on a Council tax account, separate documentation must be issued for reminders, finals and broken arrangement letters.

Where the account progresses to Warrant Petition, Warrant Granted and Sheriff Officer, the lists indicate all liable person(s) names pertaining to the account as one entry i.e. husband and wife who are jointly liable will have received separate reminders but will only appear once on the list pertaining to the financial year.

However, there can also be separate entries on the lists for more than one financial years' outstanding Council Tax which should also be taken into account in the figures.

	2015/16
Reminders	44,193
Finals	13,468
Warrant Petition	24,713
Warrant Granted	22,395
Sheriff Officer	28,139
Broken Arrangements	2,190

2) In how many of these cases did the householder claim that the tax was not due?

ACC is unable to provide you with this information as it is not held by ACC. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 17 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that this information is not held by it.

3) In how many of these cases did the householder officially appeal the grounds upon which the perceived arrears were based?

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4) How many cases of perceived Council tax arrears were escalated to Sheriff Officers?

As detailed in item 1 above, there were 28,139 escalated to Sheriff Officers.

5) How many of these cases escalated to Sherriff Officers before any form of official

appeal or simple complaint that the householder might have made, was addressed?

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6) In how many of these cases was it eventually found that no additional council tax was due after all?

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We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Information Compliance Team

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