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### **(CCC) HMO Licensing Enforcement**

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Q2]

Of the convictions the council was aware of in answer to Q1, how many did the council consider for a Rent Repayment Order application by the council?

Q3]

Of the convictions the council was aware of in answer to Q1, for how many did the council make a Rent Repayment Order application?

Q4]

Does the council have a process for making the decision referred to in Q2], and if so, what is that process?

### **Response:**

Thank you for your request for information above, which we have dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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Q3]

Of the convictions the council was aware of in answer to Q1, for how many did the council make a Rent Repayment Order application? **A) 0**

Q4]

Does the council have a process for making the decision referred to in Q2], and if so, what is that process? **A) The Council signposts those tenants who may be able to make an application for an RRO to the regional First Tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) as applicable. The Council makes inquiries with internal partners as to whether there is anyone living within a rented property claiming relevant benefits in applicable cases which would enable us to make an application for an RRO.**

Please find the answers to your queries annotated against them above.

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We aim to provide a high-quality service to you and hope that you are satisfied with this response. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Further queries on this matter should be directed to [foi@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:foi@cambridge.gov.uk)