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(CCC) Holiday Lets and Second Homes

- 1) The number of properties notified to the council as being holiday lets as of 1st November 2021, 1st November 2020, 1st November 2019 and 1st November 2018
- 2) The number of properties notified to the council as being a 'second home' as of 1st November 2021, 1st November 2020, 1st November 2019 and 1st November 2018
- 3) The total number of residential properties in the council area as of 1st November 2021, 1st November 2020, 1st November 2019 and 1st November 2018. Please advise if this figure does or does not include holiday lets.

Response:

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

I hope the following will answer your query:

1. Holiday lets are not separately identified within the Council Tax database therefore we do not hold an indicator whether a property is being used as a holiday let.

Properties that have been identified as Short-Term Holiday Accommodation are usually entered into the Local Rating List as a non-domestic property, the numbers entered into the list are:

Nov 2019 - 49

Nov 2020 - 55

Nov 2021 - 47

2. Properties designated as 2nd homes as determined by reference to Council Tax legislation are detailed below. Please note that the definition of 2nd Home primarily includes properties that are not occupied as someone's sole or main residence. This may include homes used from time to time as a holiday type homes or holiday lets but the majority of these properties include a large number of furnished rental property that is unoccupied from time to time between lets.

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Nov 2019 - 2054

Nov 2020 – 2077

Nov 2021 - 2001

3. Nov 2019 - 57,323

Nov 2020 – 57,969

Nov 2021 – 58 993

(figures do not include holiday lets that are included in the rating list, as detailed above)

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