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(CCC) Number of households presenting as homeless that claim Universal Credit

I write to request information on the number of households claiming Universal Credit and/or housing benefit who have presented to you as homeless while between January 2019 and April 2022.

As part of this request, I would like this information to be broken down into the following:

(i) The total number of households claiming Universal Credit presenting as homeless since January 2019, broken down into households living in leasehold property and council-owned property (otherwise known as council tenants) and years;

(i) The total number of households claiming housing benefit – part of the legacy welfare system – presenting as homeless since January 2019, broken down into households living in leasehold property and council-owned property (otherwise known as council tenants) and years.

Response

I have attached an excel summary of the details requested by financial year for the periods requested and from January to March 2019 as well as April 2022. Please note that some information is collected by case and some by client and I have distinguished these. I have been able to break the information down by council tenant accommodation though there are two fields which are slightly different so these would not necessarily match and not in the data for that tenure in this instance. It was not possible to provide details of leaseholders. Tenure and benefit data may not always be filled as evidenced by blank records and those where it was not known or there was a refusal to answer.

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