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(CCC) Housing

Please understand "long-term vacant homes" to mean properties liable for council tax that have been empty for more than six months and that are not subject to Empty Homes Discount class D or empty due to specific flooding events. Please may you provide me with:

- 1. The number of long-term homes in each electoral ward, broken down annually since 2013.
- 2. The number of long-term vacant homes owned by Cambridge City Council in each electoral ward, broken down annually since 2013.
- 3. The number of long-term vacant homes that have been classed as long-term vacant for: one year, two years, three years, five years, and 10 years.
- 4. The number of long-term vacant homes owned by Cambridge City Council that have been classed as long-term vacant for: one year, two years, three years, five years, and 10 years.
- 5. The number of housing register applicants in April of each year, broken down annually since 2013.

Please provide the information as an Excel spreadsheet.

Response

Question 1 and 3 - Response

Please see the attached spreadsheet. This details all non CCC owned long term empty dwellings. The data is a snapshot of the number of dwellings recorded as being unoccupied and unfurnished as at 31st March in each requested year. We are unable to split this data by ward as this data is not held of used for Council Tax billing purposes.

Question 2 and 4 - Response

Please see attached PDF which details the numbers of long-term empty property owned by CCC. The data is split by Year, Ward and length of time empty (there have not been any properties empty for 10 years). We have excluded properties vacated for subsequent major refurbishment, demolition, disposal or redevelopment.

Question 5 – Response

Please see attached PDF which provides details of the Housing register applicants, this document includes data back to 2019. Data prior to those years was not collated in the same format and is not held. Further information can also be found here Housing research - Cambridge City Council Housing register applicants and lettings key facts [PDF, 0.4MB] .

Further queries on this matter should be directed to foi@cambridge.gov.uk