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(CCC) Council Tax Debts

I am writing to request information related to the collection of council tax debts via the use of Liability Orders and related enforcement action. Under the abovementioned Act I would like you to provide me with the following information please:

For the last financial year ending April 5th 2020:

Question 1)

How many Court Summons did your organisation issue for debts relating to Council Tax payments?

Question 2)

How many Liability Orders did your organisation successfully obtain for debts relating to Council Tax payments?

Question 3)

How much total revenue did your organisation collect as a result of attachment to earnings and bailiff/sheriff enforcement action for debts relating to Council Tax payments resulting from Liability orders?

Question 4)

How much total revenue did your organisation lose as a result of non recoverable debts relating to Council Tax payments?

Question 5)

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, has your organisation suspended enforcement action for council tax debts? YES/NO

Question 6)

If YES to question 5, until what date is action currently suspended?

Response:

- Q1) Approximately £4,500
- Q2) Approximately £4,100
- Q3) The Council does not specifically budget for or record the costs of posting documents to councillors separately from its other, more general, postage and

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courier costs. As such, there is no specific amount set aside in 2020/21, as the

costs will be met from the Council's larger general postage budget. This is also the reason why the answers given above to Q1 and Q2 have been provided on a 'best estimate' basis.

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