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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 20/21-438 please find your question and our response below.

Request:

Please could you provide the information below for every open/live account within your charging authority, preferably on an emailed Excel spreadsheet, along with the date the data was extracted from your system.

- Details of any relief applied to the account including type, amount and date the relief was applied
- Details of any applied exemptions where applicable
- Current account holder/ratepayer
- Property reference number
- Account start date
- Address and postal code
- Correspondence or billing address
- Account number
- Current Rateable value (RV)
- An indicator as to whether the property is occupied or empty

Response:

We have made the decision that during the time of Coronavirus and the government grants available to businesses, that we are no longer publishing or providing business rates information. This is to ensure against fraud. We will reinstate the publishing and provision of this information once we feel that the risk of fraud has subsided.

In respect of those requests that were answered in full or partially and the total refused please take this as notice under FOIA, that we:

- a) Consider the information as exempt from disclosure under the Act;
- b) Claim exempt under sections of the Act:

Section 31(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000

- c) State why the exemption applies:

31(1) Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice - (a) the prevention or detection of crime.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 20/21-438

If information has been refused please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.