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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 21/22-236 please find your question and our response below.

Request:

My request relates to local authority commissioned funding for refuge services and housing for victims and survivors of domestic abuse. Please can you provide the following information about the commissioned funding for domestic abuse support services in your local authority.

1. Do you directly commission refuge services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse?
2. If yes, is the refuge service you commission for women only (single sex)?
3. The Domestic Abuse Bill 2021 introduced a new legal duty for local authorities to fund "safe accommodation" for victims and survivors of domestic abuse and their children. Is the safe accommodation you fund under the new duty women only (single sex)?
4. The Domestic Abuse Bill 2021 introduced a new legal duty for local authorities to fund "safe accommodation" for victims and survivors of domestic abuse and their children. Does the safe accommodation you fund under the new duty provide specialist support designed for women who have survived domestic abuse?

Response:

East Cambridgeshire District Council does not fund services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse and their children, as this falls under the remit of Cambridgeshire County Council, therefore please re-direct your FOI request to: foi@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

In respect of those requests that are answered in full, partially or 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 12(4)(a)

- c) State why the exemption applies:

Regulation 12(4) a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 21/22-236

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.