



# EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 21/22-278 please find your question and our response below.

## Request:

- 1) How many housing units in your local authority do you estimate to be in the PRS?
- 2) Please state the year in which your local authority last carried out a Stock Condition Survey.
- 3) How many environmental health officers work for the local authority whose **main job** is to enforce standards in the private rented sector? (FTEs)
- 4) How much (£) did it cost a landlord to obtain a mandatory HMO licence for a single property occupied by five people in your local authority? Please exclude any discounts.
- 5) How many working days did it take for a typical mandatory HMO licence application to be processed and issued? Please write the typical number of working days from receipt to decision.
- 6) Is it your local authority's policy to inspect a property before issuing a mandatory HMO licence?

## Response:

- 1) 5,634
- 2) 2021
- 3) One Technical Officer (main job), One Senior (part)
- 4) £300
- 5) 342 days
- 6) Not always due to restricted resources. We carry out an initial desktop assessment and carry out an inspection prior to issuing the licence, if we consider it is necessary. If it is a straightforward application or we have prior knowledge of the property or landlord, however, we may carry out the desk top study, issue the licence with conditions with a follow up inspection as soon as possible. The inspection would always be within the mandatory 3 years from receipt of application.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 21/22-278

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](mailto: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.

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