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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 22/23-312 please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

Please provide a copy of the Local Authority's policy on when a Guest House (or similar) becomes, in the LA's opinion an HMO and therefore subject to HA 2004.

This question is raised in particular with regard to the considerable number of Guest Houses which house 'homeless' persons on a temporary or short-term basis whilst permanent accommodation is found for them.

The policy (or additional notes) should explain how the LA judges whether each such individual is a "guest on licence" or a "tenant on implied AST".

Please ensure that the policy supplied covers all of the questions asked above.

## **Response:**

East Cambridgeshire District Council has not used temporary accommodation since 2014. We do not have a policy of when a Guest House (or similar) becomes an HMO.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 22/23-312

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.

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.