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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 1303/17

Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, how much is the Council (i) spending in 2017/18 and (ii) planning to spend in 2018/19 to offset the impact of the Universal Credit roll out in the Council's area.

This includes money spent to prevent tenants from being evicted due to rent arrears caused by Universal Credit.

Response:

Rutland County Council has awarded £1,936 in Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP's) for 2017/18 (to date) to people who are in receipt of Universal Credit.

The Council is not able to forecast how much it will spend on DHP's for Universal Credit in 2018/19, however it is anticipated to be more than the expenditure for 2017/18 as more people migrate to Universal Credit.

The Council doesn't have any council housing stock and hasn't spent any money on preventing evictions.

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Yours faithfully

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