FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 1490/18

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request / Response:
I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information.

Please could you provide me with information on the following:

1. What percentage of all new homelessness applications are being collected and reported in accordance with the new H-CLIC data requirement (Homelessness Case Level Collection) since 3rd April 2018?
   
   Answer: 100% 

   a. If not all requirements are being met, what information is being collected on homelessness applications and how is this being reported to MHCLG?
   
   Answer: Not Applicable

   b. What percentage of legacy cases are being reported through H-CLIC since 3rd April 2018?
   
   Answer: There were no legacy cases reported during this time frame.

2. What percentage of homelessness prevention spending is spent on:

   a. Advice and information
   
   Answer: Rutland County Council does not hold this information. All aspects of homelessness are dealt with by all officers in the team along with relevant support services that are provided externally by partner agencies.

   b. Early identification
   
   Answer: As per answer to Q2a.

   c. Pre-crisis intervention
   
   Answer: As per answer to Q2a.
d. Preventing recurring homelessness  
   Answer: As per answer to Q2a.

e. Other  
   Answer: As per answer to Q2a.

f. Total spend  
   Answer: The total budget is approximately £130,000 including salaries.

3. Does the local authority monitor adherence to and judge the effectiveness of its homelessness strategy?
   Answer: The strategy is monitored alongside the action plan that is in place and is being refreshed and rewritten next year.

   a. If so, how?
   Answer: Please see response to Question 3.

4. Has any training, or advice, been provided to other public services with a duty to refer following the Homelessness Reduction Act?
   Answer: Yes. They have all been briefed.

   a. If so, what?
   Answer: Briefing sessions have been provided separately.

   b. Is there different advice for different services?
   Answer: No

   c. If not, are there plans in place to provide training or advice?
   Answer: Not Applicable

5. Are there any data sharing agreements within the local authority, or with other local authorities, that aim to prevent homelessness? If so, what?
   Answer: Rutland County Council has agreements in place under the Duty to Refer with all bodies.

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Yours faithfully

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