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Dear [Name Redacted]

Freedom of Information – Request for Information

With regards to your recent enquiry for information held by the Authority under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Please find the information you requested below with reference in the box to your original enquiry for clarity where multiple answers are required.

Details of Your Request

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. How many court summonses did you issue or were issued on your authority's behalf for late or non-payment of Council Tax in:

- a) 2016/17*
- b) 2017/18*

Please break this data down by the wards of the addresses to which the summonses were sent.

2. How many council tax liability orders were issued in your authority as a result of the summonses issued in Q1 during:

- a) 2016/17*
- b) 2017/18*

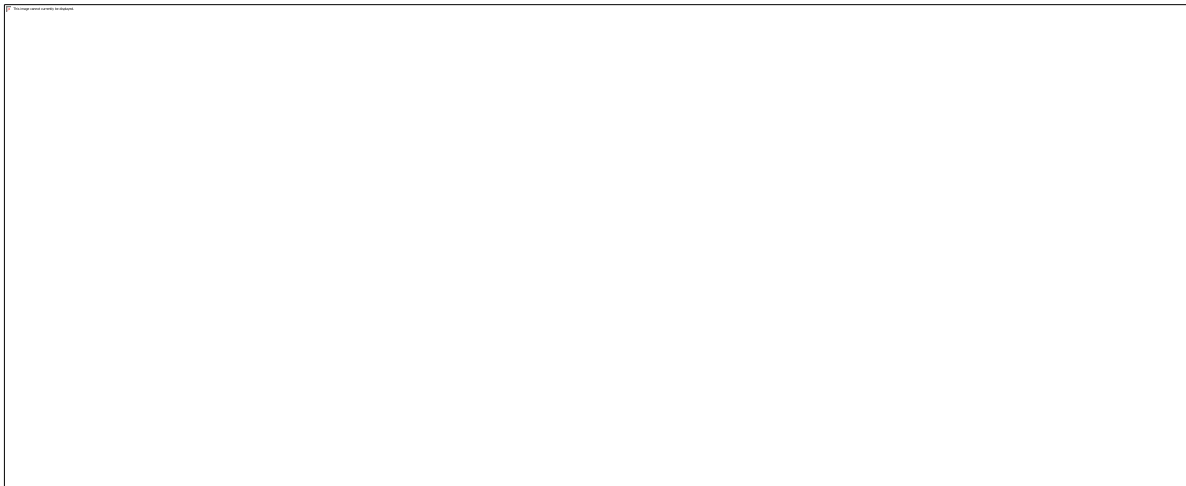
Please break this data down by the wards of the addresses to which the liability orders were applied.

Please specify for Q2 precisely which powers the courts gave to you (e.g. salary deductions, benefits deductions etc.) if possible. Such a table might look like this:

Power / times granted in 2016/17 / times granted in 2017/18
benefits deductions / 5,000 / 7,000
bankruptcy applications / 20 / 30

I would prefer this data to be supplied in soft copy spreadsheet (.xls) format.

The response to your request as follows:



NB: Ward numbers relate to the address the summons/ liability order refers to **not** the correspondence address as no ward data is held on correspondence addresses.

NB2 There is an element of double counting of summonses & liability orders as summonses may be issued in respect of more than one property at a time

A Liability Order gives us the power for the above recovery methods along with other options (which is subject to our discretion); we don't need any further powers to be granted by the court for this.

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Yours Sincerely

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