

#### Information Governance

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ05887

Thank you for your request for information relating to Filthy and Verminous Properties – Section 83, Public Health Act 1936.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

Please provide separate figures for each calendar year, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

- 1. How many statutory notices have been served under section 83 of the Public Health Act 1936?
- 2. Of the notices served, for each year, how many were:
- a. Complied with
- b. Works undertaken in default
- c. Subject to judicial review (please provide reason and details)
- d. Other please provide details
- 3. How many of the individuals you served section 83 notices on were referred to Safeguarding?

We have served one (1) notice under Section 83 of the Public Health Act 1936 within the specified timeframe. This was served in 2015 and was complied with. The resident was not referred to Safeguarding.

## 4. Do have additional written procedures to help prevent cases recurring in the future (please provided details)?

We can confirm that we do not have specific written procedures to prevent recurrences of Filthy and Verminous properties.

# 5. Do you work in collaboration/ partnership with other agencies when trying to resolve problems with people living in filthy conditions? Please provide details of the types of organisation

Where we are notified that a property is Filthy & Verminous, we will seek to work with Adult Social Services and exterior agencies such as Age UK and Orbit Care and Repair where appropriate. Where the resident is an RSL tenant, we will also seek to work cooperatively with the RSL to resolve the issue.

## 6. How many of these individuals have you served a section 83 notice on multiple times?

This is not applicable. Please refer to questions 1-3.

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Yours faithfully

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