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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI567323457

Thank you for your request for information relating to Temporary Accommodation provision.

You have requested the following information:

I am seeking information regarding the provision of temporary accommodation in your local authority. I am seeking answers to the following:

1. Could you please provide me with a breakdown of the number of individuals/families you housed in temporary accommodation each year for the previous four years? Could you please break this down by financial year starting from 2019/20?

The table below shows the number of households that were placed into temporary accommodation in each year:

Household in TA	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023
Family	511	600	736
Individuals	889	768	760
Total	1,400	1,368	1,496

We are unable to provide the data for the years prior to April 2020 as this is not held by the Council

and we are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. During this time, the Salvation Army was contracted to provide a range of support and accommodation services, including temporary accommodation.

2. Could you please provide me with the total amount spent on temporary accommodation across the last five years? Could you please break this down by financial year starting 2019/20

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Central Government website, please use the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/local-authority-revenue-expenditure-and-financing

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

3. Could you please provide the names of all of the companies you paid for accommodation that was used as temporary accommodation across the last four years? Could you please break this down by financial year starting 2019/20? Could this be providing on an excel spreadsheet in the below format for each year:

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If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: infoqov@coventry.gov.uk

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Yours faithfully

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