

FOI Reference Number: FOI/344/1819

Date: 24/10/2018

Request:

Dear sir/madam,

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following:

- **Please details how many homeless people have been given transport to leave the local authority under your “reconnection policy” in the five years. Please provide data in an annualised format (2014,2015,2016,2017,2018 so far)**
- **Of these transportation tickets, please detail:**
 1. **How many were one-way train tickets.**
 2. **The destination to where people were sent, if possible.**
 3. **The gender and age of the person travelling, if possible.**
 4. **The reason for the reconnection, if possible.**
 5. **Whether the local authorities performed a follow-up with each person given transport under the “reconnection policy”.**

I would be grateful if you could provide this information in cvs format.

If you have any additional questions or require clarification on any of the above do not hesitate to get in touch. If you feel this request needs to be modified to make it answerable within the time frame, please let me know. This FOI has purposely been kept vague to account for region-specific practises.

Warm regards,

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 19/10/2018.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council’s response to the information you requested in relation to how many homeless people have been given transport.

Please note that in Northern Ireland district councils are not responsible for the provision of homeless people. Please contact the Northern Ireland Housing Executive/Department who should be able to help you with your request.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/344/1819 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.