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Request:

Does your authority still maintain a Local Welfare Assistance scheme?

If yes, for the last 12 months for which figures are available please answer the following questions;

What proportion of applications were from female headed BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) backgrounds?

What proportion of applications were made by women?

What proportion of applications were made by lone parents?

What proportion of applicants were from BME backgrounds?

What proportion of applicants from each group were made an award of any kind under the scheme?

If no, which was the last 12 month period for which your scheme operated? For that last period please provide the following information;

What proportion of applications were from female headed BME backgrounds?

What proportion of applications were made by women?

What proportion of applications were made by lone parents?

What proportion of applicants were from BME backgrounds?

What proportion of applicants from each group were made an award of any kind under the scheme?

In your area, what proportion of residents are from female headed BME backgrounds?

I look forward to hearing from you,

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 01/01/2020.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response to the information you requested in relation to a Local Welfare Assistance scheme.

Please note that in Northern Ireland district councils are not responsible for the provision of a Local Welfare Assistance Scheme. Please contact the Northern Health and Social Care Trust or the Northern Ireland Housing Executive 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/358/1920 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.