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Request:

I would like to request some information under a freedom of information request. I seek to find out how many university students forget to pay council tax when their student status is over.

My question is below:

1. How many court summons have been issued to former students (within 3-6 months of changing student status) between January 1st 2018 - January 1st 2019 for refusal of paying council tax. Can this information be provided in a spreadsheet showing the court summons, the outstanding payment, and when it was paid.

If you need any clarification please let me know. I aim to explain how students can be caught out with council tax payments when they graduate from university.

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 14/02/2019.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response to the information you requested in relation to Council Tax.

Please note that in Northern Ireland, there is a system of rates instead of council tax. Please contact the Land and Property Services 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/528/1819 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.