

Request 8104 – Homelessness / Housing Statistics

- South Cambridgeshire District Council's definition or understanding of housing support.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's provisions of housing support for people that are homeless (in particular rough sleepers) or at risk of homelessness.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on rough sleepers in 2019 broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on rough sleepers in 2019 that were not provided or offered secured accommodation in conjunction with the reasons why and, if possible, broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on rough sleepers in 2019 additional support needs (e.g. mental health, substance misuse / dependency, domestic violence etc.) and, if possible, broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics of people on the housing register in 2019 broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity, (d) nationality and (e) priority need.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics of people on the housing register in 2019 and their additional support needs broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on referrals made to the local authority under the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 in 2019 broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity (d) nationality (e) referee and if possible (f) additional support needs.
- South Cambridgeshire District Council's most recent and current strategy to tackle rough sleeping and hidden homelessness.

I would like the above information to be provided as electronic copies, within Excel spreadsheets or PDFs so long the data is clear to understand. I understand that the council may not collect some of the data request and if that is the case can that be communicated.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

If this request exceeds the cost limit of £450, then I can restrict the enquiry to:

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Response

1. South Cambridgeshire District Council's definition or understanding of housing support. – We believe housing support could mean Floating support for tenancy sustainment or referring to any agencies that can give support including but not limited to those listed in Q2.
2. South Cambridgeshire District Council's provisions of housing support for people that are homeless (in particular rough sleepers) or at risk of homelessness. - We do not directly provide support, but we do refer to The Counting Every Adult team, Floating support, Adult Social Care, Mental Health

teams, It takes a City, Women's Aid etc.

3. South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on rough sleepers in 2019 broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality. - 10 rough sleepers – (a) 20-29 x 3, 30-39 x 1, 40-49 x 5, 50-59 x 1 (b) male x 9, female x 1 (c) White British x 10 (d) UK National x 10

4. South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on rough sleepers in 2019 that were not provided or offered secured accommodation in conjunction with the reasons why and, if possible, broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality. - Of the 10 rough sleeps 5 were not offered long term accommodation at the end of the process. 2 x male 20-29 we lost contact with, 1 x male 20-29 wanted to present to another LA, 1 x male 40-49 wanted to present to another LA, 1 x male between 40-49 did not make a homeless application. Ethnicity and nationality not looked at as they are all the same.

5. South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on rough sleepers in 2019 additional support needs (e.g. mental health, substance misuse/dependency, domestic violence etc.) and, if possible, broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality. - Of the rough sleeps 7 had experienced mental ill health (2 x 20-29, 1 x 30-39, 3 x 40-49, 1 x 50-59) (6 x men, 1 x women), 1 x 23 year old man with substance misuse, 3 x 40-49 year old men with alcohol misuse, no one with experience of domestic abuse.

6. South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics of people on the housing register in 2019 broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity, (d) nationality and (e) priority need. - See attached excel

7. South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics of people on the housing register in 2019 and their additional support needs broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality. - See attached excel

8. South Cambridgeshire District Council's statistics on referrals made to the local authority under the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 in 2019 broken down by: (a) age (b) gender (c) ethnicity (d) nationality (e) referee and if possible (f) additional support needs. Information not held

9. South Cambridgeshire District Council's most recent and current strategy to tackle rough sleeping and hidden homelessness.

See following link for strategy:

<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/media/13206/homelessness-strategy.pdf>

(Attachments available on request)