

# East Lothian Council

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*Please disclose the following information:*

**1. For each year since 2010, please provide a month by month breakdown of the total number of homeless households the local authority has rehoused in another local authority area. For each household rehoused, please indicate:**

- **the total number of people rehoused**
- **the local authority area they were moved to**
- **whether this was temporary or settled accommodation**
- **whether they were allocated either council / social housing or a private rental tenancy**

All homeless cases are dealt with via the HL1 process so where a case is referred to another authority and they accept the referral, the HL1 in East Lothian is closed on the basis of it having been referred. The receiving authority then deals with the applicant directly so all the outcome information lies with them.

Please refer to Appendix I overleaf which shows the successful referrals to other authorities in the time frames requested.

**2. For each year since 2010, please provide a month by month breakdown of the total number of homeless households the local authority has agreed to rehouse from another local authority area. For each household rehoused, please indicate:**

- **the total number of people rehoused**
- **the local authority area they were received**
- **whether this was temporary or settled accommodation**
- **whether they were allocated either council / social housing or a private rental tenancy.**

In terms of referrals into East Lothian the process is that on accepting a referral, ELC opens a new HL1 based on the reason for homelessness and deals with the case from that point. There is no HL1 homeless reason "referred by another authority" so it is not possible historically to identify those housed by referral. ELC has no means of identifying those referred from outside the authority area to those who approach ELC directly.

Colleagues in ELC's Homelessness Team have advised, however, that they deal with relatively few referrals into East Lothian per year (probably about 4-6 cases) as our housing pressures are such that generally we cannot positively respond to a referral and assist with faster re-housing for the client. Where referrals are accepted, these all generally lead to re-housing either an RSL or ELC tenancy.

In view of this, under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I must formally advise you that East Lothian Council (ELC) has been unable to comply with your request as the information you require is not held.

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## Appendix I

		<b>Applications Closed on Referral</b>	<b>Applicant's Family Circumstances</b>	<b>Total People Referred</b>
2010	Jan-10	1	single person	1
	Feb-10	3	2 singles, 1 single parent 1 child	4
	Apr-10	1	single person	1
	May-10	1	single parent 1 child	2
	Jun-10	1	single parent 1 child	2
	Jul-10	2	2 single people	2
2011	Feb-11	1	single parent with 2 children	3
	Mar-11	3	1 single person , 1 couple with 1 child, 1 single parent with 2 children	7
	Apr-11	1	1 single parent with 3 children	4
	Nov-11	1	single person	1
	Dec-11	1	single person	1
2012	Mar-12	2	2 single people	2
	Jun-12	1	single peron	1
	Jul-12	1	couple	2
	Aug-12	1	single peron	1
	Oct-12	1	single peron	1
	Nov-12	3	1 single person , 1 couple , 1 couple with child ,	6
2013	Jan-13	3	3 single people	3
	Feb-13	1	1 couple	2
	Mar-13	2	couple with 3 children , single person	6
	Jul-13	1	single person	1
	Oct-13	2	1 single , 1 couple, with 4 children )	6
	Nov-13	1	1 single parent with 1 child	2
	Dec-13	1	single peron	1

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2014	Mar-14	1	1 single parent with 1 child	2
	Apr-14	1	1 single person	1
	Jun-14	1	1 single parent 1 child	2
2015	Jan-15	1	single parent 2 children	3
	Feb-15	1	single person	1
	Apr-15	1	couple 1 child	3
	Aug-15	1	single parent 1 child	2
	Oct-15	1	single person	1
	Nov-15	1	single person	1
	Dec-15	1	single person	1
2016	Mar-16	1	single parent 2 children	3
	May-16	1	single parent 2 children	3
	Jul-16	1	single person	1
	Dec-16	2	1 single person, 1 single parent 1 child	3
2017	Mar-17	1	single person	1
	May-17	1	single person	1