East Lothian Council

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Universal Credit

1. How many council tenants in households containing one or more child (under 18), and receiving Universal Credit, are in rent arrears.

I'm afraid our housing system doesn't include information on non-liable household members, any names and dates of birth held in the system relate to the lead tenant or jointly liable tenants.

We can provide a list of all tenancy references that have received a UC payment from the DWP and include an up to date balance for each tenancy.

2. How many council tenants in households containing one or more child (under 18), and receiving Universal Credit, have received possession orders as a result of being in rent arrears.

East Lothian Council (ELC) does not record this information. In view of this, under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I must formally advise you that ELC has been unable to comply with this part of your request as the information you require is not held because a possession order is a legal term used in England and Wales which doesn't have a direct counterpart under Scottish law.