

East Lothian Council

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1) I am trying to find out how much your council has written off in terms of debt in the last financial year 2017/18. Also in 2016/17 and 2015/16.

- a. 2015/16 - £1,264,797.03
- b. 2016/17 - £1,369,293.96
- c. 2017/18 - £2,065,646.91

2) Can you provide details of the reasons for the written off debt for each year mentioned in 1)

- Absconded
- Aged Debt
- Deceased
- Dissolved
- Incarcerated
- Outwith Jurisdiction
- Prescribed Debt
- Recommended by Head of Service
- Sequestration
- Small Balance
- Terminal Illness
- Uneconomic to Pursue
- Vulnerable Debtor

3) Can you I ask how much of that written off debt is down to council tax for each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £540,253.18
- b. 2016/17 - £809,517.59
- c. 2017/18 - £642,524.89

4) How much of that written off debt was down to rent for each year for each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £228,063.68
- b. 2016/17 - £149,210.75
- c. 2017/18 - £459,106.93

5) How much of the written off debt was down to car parking fines in each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £0.00
- b. 2016/17 - £0.00
- c. 2017/18 - £0.00

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6) How much of the written off debt was down to housing services charges to homeless clients in temporary accommodation in each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £0.00
- b. 2016/17 - £0.00
- c. 2017/18 - £0.00

7) How much of the written off debt was down to garage and lockup fees in each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £1,140.74
- b. 2016/17 - £263.82
- c. 2017/18 - £15,370.51

8) How much of the written off debt was down to business rates in each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £82,970.89
- b. 2016/17 - £54,488.17
- c. 2017/18 - £762,711.65

9) How much of the written off debt was down to housing benefit overpayments in each year mentioned in 1)

- a. 2015/16 - £0
- b. 2016/17 - £0
- c. 2017/18 - £74,416.09