

# **East Lothian Council**

**FOI Ref: 2018/551483**

## **Request for information under Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002**

1. As of October 17, 2018, how many council tenants are in receipt of the housing element of Universal Credit?

**1,615 tenants**

2. Of those in question 1, how many of those recipients are currently in rent arrears to the council?

**1,366 tenants – Note: Not all rent arrears are attributable to Universal Credit, as many tenants had rent arrears prior to claiming this new benefit**