

LIFE OPPORTUNITIES – 13/26

REQUEST

- a) The details on the amounts being spent on housing benefits for the top ten claimant families listed for your council.
- b) Information on the amount of families claiming housing benefits and a general overview of where they reside within the wards of your council borough (preferably provide information in map form). Please include information on average house prices and/or private sector rent for those areas.
- c) The full list of amounts spent on housing benefits between January 1997 to June 2013; if possible breakdown the numbers and amounts spent between those who are UK, EU and non-EEA recipients.

RESPONSE

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£13469	CO16	Clacton on Sea
£12730	CO15	Clacton on Sea
£12481	CO12	Harwich
£12033	CO15	Clacton on Sea
£11704	CO15	Clacton on Sea
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£11701	CO15	Clacton on Sea
£11434	CO12	Harwich
£11100	CO15	Clacton on Sea

- b) Information on the amount of families claiming housing benefits and a general overview of where they reside within the wards of your council borough (preferably provide information in map form). Please include information on average house prices and/or private sector rent for those areas.

Summary (approx figures)

Total

Wkly HB Annual HB Claims

CO7 96018 5006677 971

CO11 42688 2225883 487

CO12 177865 9274383 1895

CO13 54072 2819445 519

CO14 68101 3550977 706

CO15 473326 24680559 4598

CO16 205585 10719782 2286

Total 58277707 11462

- c) The full list of amounts spent on housing benefits between January 1997 to June 2013; if possible breakdown the numbers and amounts spent between those who are UK, EU and non-EEA recipients. Unable to extract details of "UK,EU, non-EEA recipients".

We only hold records for 6 years to comply with Audit requirements so the details are as follows

Year 2007/8

HB Expenditure = £37,038K

Year 2008/9

HB Expenditure = £42,741K

Year 2009/10

HB Expenditure = £51,230K

Year 2010/11

HB Expenditure = £56,170K

Year 2011/12

HB Expenditure = £59,145 K

Year 2012/13

HB Expenditure = £61,382 K

As at June 2013

HB Expenditure = £13,529 K