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**REQUEST**

Could you please tell me these details under the Freedom of Information Act:

For the 2013/14 financial year

1. How much revenue are you due in the spare room subsidy
2. How much remains outstanding
3. How much has administering the spare room subsidy cost, please break this down to show how much it has cost in administration, chasing owed money, appeals against payments, and so on

**RESPONSE**

I write further to your Freedom of Information request dated 26 February. Unfortunately, it was a little unclear what was being asked as we do not receive any Revenue from the spare room subsidy. I can confirm that we treat all arrears cases the same and they just populate as an arrears case, we do not differentiate and the costs implication is factored in with arrears chasing. Applications for DHP are minimal as we do not have a huge volume. We have not taken on any new staff so there has been no extra cost incurred just "smarter" working with the resources we already have in place.