

## Request

1. The number of live housing disrepair claims lodged with your council as of 01/12/2023
2. The number of housing disrepair claims made against your council for each of the financial years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23.
3. The number of housing disrepair claims settled for each of the financial years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23.
4. The average cost (£) of each disrepair claim settlement for each of the financial years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23.
5. Your council's total annual spend on external legal costs relating to disrepair claims (£) -- by external costs I am referring to barristers and solicitors engaged outside the council's own salaried legal staff for each of the financial years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23.
6. Your council's total annual spend on compensation for housing disrepair claims (£) for each of the financial years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23.

## Response

1. 1211 live files as of 01/12/2023. This includes cases which have settled but works are not yet complete.
2. 2018 – 2019 = 60 claims received  
2019 – 2020 = 347 claims received  
2020 – 2021 = 295 claims received  
2021 – 2022 = 459 claims received  
2022 – 2023 = 477 claims received
3. 2018 – 2019 = incomplete data  
2019 – 2020 = 95 claims settled  
2020 – 2021 = 105 claims settled  
2021 – 2022 = 138 claims settled  
2022 – 2023 = 252 claims settled
4. Average costs of disrepair settlements (damages average and legal costs average combined):  
2018 – 2019 = Incomplete data  
2019 – 2020 = £5200.78  
2020 – 2021 = £4988.91  
2021 – 2022 = £5775.63
5. 2018 – 2019 = incomplete data  
2019 – 2020 = £295,090.25  
2020 – 2021 = £353,241.51  
2021 – 2022 = £568,201.04  
2022 – 2023 = £744,612.44
6. 2018 – 2019 = incomplete data  
2019 – 2020 = £92,193.56  
2020 – 2021 = £104,029.81  
2021 – 2022 = £167,416.53  
2022 – 2023 = £236,146.79