

Please advise:

1) The average frequency with which you repaint the exterior of the bound by homes that you own.

2) The number of homes that you own that you repainted the exterior of in the financial year 2022/23.

3400 dwellings (incl. flats), on a Cyclical

3) The number of homes that you own that you repainted the exterior of in the financial year 2022/23 using graphene paint.

NIL

4) The number of homes that you own that you repainted the exterior of in the financial year 2022/23 with fungicidal anti-damp paints other than graphene.

NIL

5) The number of homes that you own that you repainted the exterior of in the financial year 2022/23 using conventional paint.

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6) The expenditure on repainting the exterior of the homes that you own in the financial year 2022/23 including (if recorded) a breakdown of the cost of paint, labour and scaffolding.

£777,782.38. It is not possible to split out different items of work due to the way the Schedule of Rates are built up.

7) The expenditure on remedying or treating damp and/or mould in the homes that you own in the financial year 2022/23.

With regard to Q7

We do not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. We carried out circa 71,500 repair jobs in 2022/23, and these are not categorised specifically as damp and mould. The jobs often form part of a wider job tickets; therefore it would be a manual process to interrogate the IT system of all jobs, then to establish the cost of each job relating to damp and mould. This exercise would take several weeks to undertake.

Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA) relieves a public authority from the obligation to comply with a request for information where the estimated time required to locate, review and extract the information exceeds a certain threshold set out in Regulations.

The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 (SI 2004/3244) set out the rules in relation to the cost limit (otherwise called the "appropriate limit"). These Regulations are published by the Office of Public Sector Information (OPSI) and are viewable on their web site from this link: http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2004/uksi 20043244 en.pdf.

The Regulations set out the cost limit for Government departments and for other public authorities. For local government, Regulation 3 states that the cost limit is £450 and Regulation 4(4) states that the prescribed hourly rate is £25. Regulation 4(4) further provides that where the local authority estimates the time taken to gather the information would exceed this limit (which based on the prescribed hourly rate, equates to 18 officer hours), it may refuse the request under section 12 of FoIA.