

REQUEST	15650	RESPONSE
	<p>I am writing to request the following under the Freedom of Information Act:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The number of 'new refugees' who applied to the Council for housing in 2022? 2. The number of 'new refugees' who presented as homeless to the Council in 2022? 3. The number of 'new refugees who have applied to the Council for housing in 2023 (up until today's date)? 4. The number of 'new refugees' who have presented as homeless to the Council in 2023 (up until today's date)? 5. Does your Council have an estimate of the number of 'new refugees' who will approach you for housing behind today's date and the end of 2023? <p>For the purposes of the FOI, 'new refugees' has been defined as asylum seekers who have recently received a positive decision on their asylum application, granting them refugee or humanitarian status to remain in the UK.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) We are unable to provide this information. We don't specifically record if a person is a refugee as this information is not collected on the housing application form. 2) 1st Jan 2022 – 31st Dec 2022 = 82 3) We are unable to provide this information. We don't specifically record if a person is a refugee as this information is not collected on the housing application form. 4) 1st Jan 2023 – 27th Oct 2023 = 158 5) No estimate on the numbers as it would depend on rate of Home Office processing and the decision reached, and then whether there is an approach for housing, and we don't have this information.