

REQUEST	16761	RESPONSE
	<p>1. In 2023-2024, did the council use NowMedical Ltd to assist in determining priority need for the purpose of making main housing duty decisions?</p> <p>2. In 2023-2024, did the council use any other medical advice company to assist in determining priority need for the purpose of making main housing duty decisions? What companies were they?</p> <p>3. How much did the council spend on NowMedical Ltd assessments in 2023-2024?</p> <p>4. How much did the council spend on any other medical advice company in 2023-2024?</p> <p>5. In 2023-24, how many main housing duty decisions used NowMedical or any other medical advice company to assess vulnerability of a household member?</p> <p>6. Of these, how many did the advice company advise that the applicant/household was not vulnerable on medical grounds?</p> <p>7. Of these cases where the company found the applicant/household was not vulnerable, how many did the council find the applicant/household was vulnerable and therefore did grant priority need? (ie. diverging from the company's decision)</p> <p>8. Of decisions which used a medical advice company and the household was found not in priority need, how many households chose to have this decision reviewed?</p> <p>9. Of these, how many reviews used third-party representation (eg. a lawyer or caseworker)</p> <p>10. Of decisions which used a medical advice company and sought a review after being found not in priority need, how many saw their decision overturned, and ultimately were found in priority need on grounds of vulnerability?</p> <p>It would be helpful if you were to provide any further notes which might be necessary to understand the context of the information provided.</p>	<p>1. No</p> <p>2. No</p> <p>3. N/A</p> <p>4. N/A</p> <p>5. N/A</p> <p>6. N/A</p> <p>7. N/A</p> <p>8. N/A</p> <p>9. N/A</p> <p>10. N/A</p>