



Please provide the data in Excel format, with clear column headings and units (e.g., £ for costs, number of claimants). The data should be broken down into the following categories:

Working age: 64 and under

Non-working age: 65 and over

If possible, please include both totals and percentage breakdowns for each category.

I would appreciate data for the most recent full financial year (April 2024 – March 2025). If this is not available, please provide the latest data you hold and indicate the time period covered.

Specifically, I am requesting information on:

1. Adult Social Services

- a. Weekly direct costs for care packages (and the different types of care packages)
- b. Current volumes of care packages provided.

24/25 as at 30th March 2025	18-64		65+	
	Weekly Cost (£)	Number of Care Packages	Weekly Cost (£)	Number of Care Packages
Residential and Nursing Care	£242,696	133	£962,026	1,153
Supported Living	£700,464	525	£74,028	63
Home Care	£83,323	400	£311,597	1,379
Day Support	£166,273	512	£24,065	157
Extra Care	£17,764	62	£29,110	115
Direct Payments	£328,402	544	£57,385	153
Shared Lives (Community and Longer-Term Adult Placement)	£13,861	72	£542	16
Total	£1,552,783	2,248	£1,458,753	3,036

2. Blue Badge Scheme

- a. Total number of blue badges currently issued.
- b. Average cost incurred by the council to recover a blue badge (e.g., due to loss, expiry, or death).

This data is for the period April 2024 to March 2025

- a. 9324
- b. This data is not recorded

3. Housing Benefit

- a. Percentage of Housing Benefit claims by age group.
- b. Average weekly Housing Benefit cost per claim for each age group.

This data is for the period April 2024 to March 2025

a.	Percentage	
	Under 65	43.51%
Over 65	56.49%	

b.	Per week	
	Under 65	167.34
Over 65	103.09	

4. Council Tax Support

- a. Total number of claimants by Council Tax Band and age group.
- b. Number or percentage of claimants receiving a full discount.
- c. Average discount awarded to claimants in each band.

This data is for the period April 2024 to March 2025

a.	Age	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G
	Pensioner	6943	1633	864	175	57	16	2
	Working age	11840	1670	475	142	81	13	4
b.	Working age	1113	7.80%					
b.	Pensioner	6467	66.73%					
c.	Value weekly	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G
	Pensioner average discount	£19.33	£22.33	£25.08	£28.22	£34.47	£39.57	£58.60
	Working age average	£16.69	£18.77	£19.90	£22.52	£27.90	£33.01	£38.24

5. Electoral Register

- a. Total number of residents currently listed on the electoral register by age group.
- b. Estimated annual cost to the council for maintaining electoral register records (including updates, correspondence, and administrative processing).
- c. Average cost incurred by the council to process a single amendment or removal from the register (e.g., due to death or change of address).

With reference to your request for information regarding the Electoral Register, I would like to draw your attention to the distinction between the roles of the local authority and those of the Electoral Registration Officer/ (Acting) Returning Officer for Electoral Registration and elections.

The role of the Electoral Registration Officer/ (Acting) Returning Officer is separate from that of the Chief Executive of the local authority and the responsibilities and duties associated with the former roles are personal to the postholder. A list of public bodies and local authorities that are subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act is available at the following website:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/schedule/1>

As you will see, the Freedom of Information Act does not list any person appointed under the Representation of the People Act 1983 (or related electoral legislation). It therefore follows that the Electoral Registration Officer/ (Acting) Returning Officer or any other person appointed under the 1983 Act (or related electoral legislation) such as the Counting Officer, are not subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Therefore, as there is no statutory obligation to provide you with this information, I am on this occasion unable to supply any answers to your questions.