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Request/Response

We are not able to break this information down by gender.

Please note – for most of 2020, recovery against all Council Tax Accounts was suspended due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

1) How many households were in Council Tax arrears?

The numbers below are based on the number of households who received at least one reminder notice during this year.

2019 – 7,465.

2020 – 4,473

2) How many liability orders were issued for unpaid council tax?

2019 – 1,737

2020 - 306

3) How many council tax debts were referred to bailiffs?

2019 – 1,541

2020 - 400

4) Against how many people were committal proceedings with regard to unpaid council tax commenced?

2019 - 0

2020 - 0

5) What were the outcomes of the council tax committal proceedings identified in question 4? Namely:

a. How many people were committed to prison for non-payment of council tax? **N/A**

b. What was the overall total number of days served in prison by all of the people committed to prison for non-payment of council tax owed to the local authority? **N/A**

c. How many people were subject to a suspended committal order? **N/A**

d. How many people subject to a suspended committal order in this year were subsequently committed to prison because they did not comply with the terms of the suspended order? **N/A**

- e. In how many cases did the people subject to a committal order clear the debt and avoid imprisonment? **N/A**
- f. In how many cases did the people subject to a committal order and imprisoned clear the debt and so reduced their prison term? **N/A**
- g. In how many cases did people subject to a suspended committal order maintain the required payments for the duration of the order? **N/A**
- 6) What was the total amount of council tax arrears owed by people subject to council tax committal proceedings when the proceedings commenced? **N/A**
- 7) What was the total amount of council tax arrears remitted by the local authority? **N/A**
- 8) What was the total amount of council tax arrears remitted by the magistrates' court for your local authority? **N/A**
- 9) What was the total cost to your local authority of all committal proceedings for non-payment of council tax? Please explain how you have calculated this. **N/A**