

## Response to Request for Information

### Small Business Grants Fund (SBGF) scheme

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In your request you asked:

- 1). Please confirm how much funding has been received by the local council from central government to support Small Business Grants Fund (SBGF) scheme in England during corona virus?
- 2). How many hereditaments has the local authority identified may be in scope to receive the Small Business Grants Fund (SBGF) scheme? Please provide the relevant BA reference numbers?
- 3). How many Small Business Grants Fund (SBGF) scheme payments have been made to hereditaments to date (please confirm the date of extract)?
- 4). Please confirm the total amount of money that the local authority in England has distributed for Small Business Grants Fund (SBGF) scheme to date (please confirm the date of extract)?
- 5). A list of NNDR Business Rates accounts who were in receipt of small business rate relief or rural rate relief or whom subsequently became entitled to such relief as of 11 March 2020 for all incorporated companies within the authorities billing area, including the following information:
  - i). The name of each incorporated company in respect of which account is held.
  - ii). The properties address in which the account relates to.
  - iii). A write to address and write to company name, if applicable.

I can confirm that Wolverhampton Council holds the information you requested. However we are withholding that information since we consider that the following exemptions apply to it.

Under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FoIA), we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you.

This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under section 17 of the FoIA.

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The information you requested is available from the following website using the following links:

Data for Questions 1,2,3 and 4 Can all be found on the Direct Gov Website(link Below) data as at 31/5/2020

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/889039/200601-local-authority-grant-payments.csv/preview](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/889039/200601-local-authority-grant-payments.csv/preview)

Data for Questions 5 I,ii,iii can be found on the councils website which shows all accounts/reliefs start dates and address details (where appropriate) this data is due to be refreshed at the end of June

<http://data.wolverhampton.gov.uk/View/business>

Please quote the reference number 1679657 in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

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Email: [foi@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:foi@wolverhampton.gov.uk)

If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner, contact details can be found on their website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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