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Universal Credit and Arrears

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Information Request and Response by Lewes District Council

1a) *The number of Universal Credit claimants currently in rent arrears on their local authority-owned home; **155***

1b) *The combined value of all these arrears. **£174,857.68***

2a) *The number of Housing Benefit claimants currently in rent arrears on their local authority-owned home;*

2b) *The combined value of all these arrears.*

3) *The total amount of rent, in £, which was owed but never paid by claimants of Universal Credit for local authority-owned dwellings since January 1 2013;*

Do you mean former tenants who claimed Universal Credit, i.e. had arrears, left the property and the arrears were never cleared? As for current tenants the arrears may date back to 2013, but they may still be clearing them?

4) *For each municipal year since 2013/14 and including 2018/19 to date, the number of evictions per year of households in receipt of Housing Benefit (separate figures by year please);*

18/19 = 0

17/18 = 0

16/17 = 1

15/16 = 0

14/15 = 1

13/14 = 0

5) *For each municipal year since 2013/14 and including 2018/19 to date, the number of evictions per year of households in receipt of Universal Credit (separate figures by year please).*

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