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Dear Mr Packford

**Official information request for information relating to the Councils use of Public Health Act**

I refer to your official information request dated 7 September 2020 and sought to respond to each question posed in turn as set out below.

1. In the past five years, how many times has the Council used their rights under the Public Health Act to inspect rental housing properties?

None

2. In the past five years, how many times has the Council exercised its powers to issue a repair or closure notice to landlords whose properties do not meet the Housing Improvement Regulations?

Never

3. How do you identify which rental housing properties to inspect under the Public Health Act?

We do not currently pro-actively do this

4. What is the process for tenants to request the Council inspect their rental housing property under the Public Health Act and provide a written report on its condition?

We would provide a report upon request

5. What information is available on your website or in your publications on rental housing inspections provided by the Council?

None

6. What is your process for engaging with the Tenancy Tribunal to provide reports on the rental housing inspections you conduct?

We would respond to any requests made by the tenancy tribunal on an individual basis

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact the staff member listed above.

Yours sincerely



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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**