



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 25/26-006, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

This is an information request relating to council tax on second homes. Please include the following information:

Second Home Premium

- Does the council currently charge a premium on second homes?
- If so, what is the rate of the premium (expressed as a percentage or multiplier of the standard council tax rate)?

Impact Assessment

- Has the council undertaken any impact assessment(s) on the effect of the second home premium on the local economy?
- If so, please provide a copy of the assessment(s).

Definition of a Second Home

- How does the council define a second home for council tax purposes?

Disputes

- Have any households challenged the classification of their property as a second home?
- If yes, how many such disputes have there been, and how many resulted in a change of status?

Response:

Second Home Premium

- No
- N/A

Impact Assessment

- No impact assessment has been completed at this time.
- N/A

Definition of a Second Home

- A property that is deemed to be no one's main residence but contains furniture. The property can be lived in all year round, there are no restrictions placed upon occupancy

Disputes

- No
- No appeals received.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 25/26-006.

If information has been refused, please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.