

<b>FOI REF:</b>	16733
<b>RESPONSE SENT:</b>	03/03/2026

### Request

- 1) The total number of officers that work within housing enforcement for the local authority
- 2) How many Environmental Health Officers work for the local authority whose main job is to enforce standards in the private rented sector? (Full Time)
- 3) How many officers within the housing enforcement team are employed to resolve tenancy disputes, provide guidance to tenants, ensure that tenancy rights are upheld, and/or prevent homelessness
- 4) If the local authority plans to recruit additional staff for housing enforcement in the next 12 months.

### Response

1. 1 Officer
2. None
3. Winchester City Council do not have a Housing Enforcement Team. However, we have 6 Housing Options officers, in the Strategic Housing team and part of their role would be to resolve tenancy disputes, provide guidance to tenants, ensure that tenancy rights are upheld, and/or prevent homelessness.
4. Winchester City Council is in the process of recruiting a Strategic Tenancy Relations Officer to enforce the new tenancy relations offences.

