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Request.

Please provide the following information regarding empty and vacant properties within the jurisdiction of Winchester City Council:

Long-Term Empty Residential Properties: The total number of residential properties that have been recorded as empty or unoccupied for more than six months, as of the most recent available date.

Council-Owned Empty Stock: The number of council-owned housing stock or social housing units that are currently vacant, along with the average number of days these properties remain empty before being re-let.

Commercial Vacancies: The total number of commercial properties currently recorded as vacant or exempt from business rates due to being empty.

Geographic Breakdown: If available, a breakdown of these empty properties (residential and commercial) by ward, postcode sector, or town/parish.

If any of this information is already in the public domain, please direct me to the relevant pages or datasets.

Response

1. Long Term Empty
   489
2. Council Owned Unoccupied Properties (as per Council Tax Records)
   a. Total vacant as at 1 October - 92
   b. Average number of days these properties have been empty (including long term) - 205 days
3. Commercial Vacant Properties
   This information is published on our website. The next set of data is due to be produced on 8 October and published within 2 weeks:
   Non-Domestic Rates Datasets - Winchester City Council
4. Geographical Breakdown
   Domestic – see below table for the breakdown of Long Term Empty Property by postcode sector
   Commercial – this can be found on our website

Postcode Sector	Number of Unoccupied Domestic Properties
GU32 1	4
PO15 7	10
PO17 5	16
PO17 6	15
PO7 3	1
PO7 4	9
PO7 5	2
PO7 6	17
PO7 7	1
SO21 1	16
SO21 2	23
SO21 3	36
SO22 4	23
SO22 5	27
SO22 6	29
SO23 0	36
SO23 7	57
SO23 8	36
SO23 9	25
SO24 0	11
SO24 9	31
SO30 2	3
SO32 1	26
SO32 2	19
SO32 3	13
SO50 6	2
SO50 7	1