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Freedom of Information Request, Oxford City Council – Reference: **FOI2025/00596**

Further to our acknowledgement, we can confirm that Oxford City Council can advise as follows in response to your Freedom of Information Request received on 27 May:

Request

Dear FOI Officer,

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding Council Tax discounts in your local authority.

1. What percentage of households currently receive any form of Council Tax discount in the 2025/26 financial year?

Please include all discount types (e.g. single person discount, low income-based reductions, disability-related discounts, student exemptions, etc.).

40.30%.

1. What percentage of households received Council Tax discounts in the 2024/25 financial year?

40.59%.

1. Have any Council Tax discounts or exemptions been reduced, removed, or otherwise changed in 2025/26 compared to 2024/25?

If so:

* Please specify the types of changes made (e.g. eligibility rules, discount rates, categories affected).

* The effective date(s) of these changes.

No.

1. Of the households that received any Council Tax discount in 2024/25, how many (and what percentage) are receiving a reduced discount or no discount in 2025/26?

150 or 0.29%.

If possible, please provide this by discount type (e.g. single person, low income, disability-related, etc.).

1. If available, please provide any impact assessments, internal reports, consultation documents, or equality impact assessments related to these changes.

These are in discretionary categories and likely to increase as the financial year progresses.

If you disagree with any part of the response to your request, you are entitled to ask the Council for an internal review of the decision(s) made. You may do this by writing to the Monitoring Officer, by either email monitoringofficer@oxford.gov.uk – or by post to Monitoring Officer, Oxford City Council, Town Hall, St Aldate's, Oxford, OX1 1BX. After the result of the internal review, if you remain dissatisfied, you may ask the Information Commissioner to intervene on your behalf. You may do this by writing to the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer

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