

FOI number: **HBC\_FOI\_2019150**  
Date FOI Received: **14/02/2019**  
Department: **Council Tax**  
Title: **Student Council Tax**  
Description: **Court summons for council tax for former students 1 January 2018 to 1 January 2019.**

**Request:** *(As Redacted sent by requestor)*

I would like to request some information under a freedom of information request. I seek to find out how many university students forget to pay council tax when their student status is over.

My question is below:

1. How many court summons have been issued to former students (within 3-6 months of changing student status) between January 1st 2018 - January 1st 2019 for refusal of paying council tax. Can this information be provided in a spreadsheet showing the court summons, the outstanding payment, and when it was paid.

If you need any clarification please let me know. I aim to explain how students can be caught out with council tax payments when they graduate from university.

**Response:** *(Response as Redacted sent by service)*

We do not hold this information. We do not monitor what happens to accounts after a student exemption expires and there is no way that we can link those who have had a summons with the ending of a student account within 3-6 months

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Please include the above reference number on all correspondence related to this request.

Thank you for your request.

Kind regards  
Information Services