



REQUEST	17402	RESPONSE
	<p>The following questions are structured to assist your response and our analysis. This information has been requested from 93 UK Councils. Please provide the following information relevant to your Council for the period 1st August 2022 to 31st July 2024.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The number of times the Severe Weather Protocol (SWEP) was activated.2. The dates (from and to) of each SWEP activation (see Q1).3. The number of people you assisted with each SWEP activation (see Q1).4. The protocol your Council used for each SWEP activation (see Q1) e.g. the provision of indoor accommodation or street level assistance with water and suncream or similar, etc.5. For SWEP activations generally, did SWEP augment existing Council services or were temporary closures/suspensions of some existing services required?6. For SWEP activations generally, did your Council provide additional bed spaces, and if yes were they offered beyond the period of SWEP activation?7. Does your Council have an active SWEP policy document? If yes, please provide this.8. Has your council implemented any new SWEP protocols relating to i) Heat SWEP provision and/or ii) Other extreme weather provision.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. We have not historically recorded the number of times SWEP has been activated.2. We have not recorded this information.3. We have not recorded this information.4. For winter SWEP, this includes use of existing emergency accommodation provision and additional temporary provision as needed. In summer, our commissioned outreach services and partner agencies provide access to water and suncream.5. Generally SWEP augmented existing Council and partner services.6. If existing provision was fully occupied then additional bed spaces were provided. This is for the period where SWEP was activated.7. There is no active SWEP policy document. National guidance is followed.8. No new protocols – approach is in line with national guidance.

<p>9. To be offered a SWEP placement by your Council do people have to be verified on your systems or otherwise known to you?</p> <p>10. Do your Council's SWEP provisions accommodate homeless people who have no recourse to public funds.?</p>	<p>9. Generally people are known to the Council and partner services but contact routes to the Council are available to report those rough sleeping.</p> <p>10. Yes</p>
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