

FOI number: **HBC\_FOI\_20200116**  
Date FOI Received: **05/02/2020**  
Department: **Housing**  
Title: **Use of shipping containers as temporary accommodation**  
Description: **Information on converted shipping containers used for temporary accommodation.**

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

Hi there,  
I hope this finds you well. I'm the housing correspondent at The i Paper and I'm looking into the use of shipping containers as emergency accommodation.  
Under the Freedom of Information Act, could you please provide me with the following information:  
1. How many converted shipping containers (also known as modular homes) are currently being used as homes in your area? This can be broken down by units and sites.  
2. Please provide the address of each site  
3. How many households in total are currently housed in these facilities?  
I'd be very grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this email  
Thanks so much, all the best and do let me know if you have any questions

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

1. We do not have any converted shipping containers (also known as modular homes) being used as homes in our area.
2. N/A
3. We do not have any households currently housed in these facilities.

If you have any queries about the processing of your request then please do not hesitate to contact me. Further information explaining the Council's process for responding to information requests together with a complaints/appeals procedure is available in our reception or via our website at:

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

Thank you for your request.

Kind regards

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