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Department: **Hertfordshire County Council** (Not Hertsmere Borough Council)
Title: **Marriage Notices and COVID-19**
Description: **Marriage Notices and COVID-19**

Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

- 1) Can a legal notice of marriage to the council be altered, free of charge, once it has been submitted?

- 2) What, if any, refund or compensatory policy does the council offer couples, whose wedding plans, as detailed on their legal statement, have been cancelled or postponed due to circumstances caused by the coronavirus pandemic (thereby nullifying their legal notice)?

- 3) How many legal notices of marriage did the council receive for the years 2020 and 2021, respectively, and in what years were these notices given?

- 4) How much money did the council earn from legal notices of marriage for the years 2020, and 2021? Please give this amount in total, and also as a breakdown of the amount received in a given year, which contributes to this total.

- 5) How many of these legal notices of marriage for 2020 and 2021 respectively, were nullified due to cancellation, or change of wedding venue or date, caused by the pandemic? If reason for nullification is not given, please simply provide the number of nullified legal marriage notices for 2020 and 2021, respectively.

- 6) How many resubmissions of legal notices of marriage did the council receive from couples whose previous legal notice of marriage, for the years 2020 and 2021, were nullified due to the pandemic? If reason for nullification is not given, please simply provide the number of resubmitted legal notices of marriages, of those originally submitted for 2020 and 2021, respectively.

- 7) How much money did the council receive from resubmissions of legal notices of marriage, by couples whose previous legal notices of marriage for the years 2020 and

2021, were nullified due to the pandemic? Again, if reason for nullification is not given, please simply provide the amount of money received from resubmitted legal notices of marriages, of those originally submitted for 2020 and 2021, respectively.

- 8) How many legal notices of marriage did the council receive for the year 2019, and how much money did the council earn from these legal notices?

- 9) How many resubmissions of legal notices of marriage did the council receive, from couples whose previous legal notice of marriage were nullified due to a change in wedding venue or date (originally planned for 2019), and how much did the council earn from these resubmissions?

Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

Thank you for your query.

Hertfordshire is a two tier area and this service is not provided at a district level but by the County Council.

Therefore, please refer your FOI request to Hertfordshire County Council who will be able to help you.

Kind regards
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