

FOI number: **HBC_FOI_20210011**
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Department: **Benefits**
Title: **Self-isolation payments**
Description: **COVID-19 Self-isolation payments**

Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

As of 6th January 2021:

- How many self-isolation payments have been made?
- How many of these were discretionary?
- How many applications have been received for the main payment and for the discretionary payment?
- What eligibility criteria has been used for the discretionary payment?
- How much funding was given for the main payment and how much has been used so far?
- How much funding was given or the discretionary payment and how much has been used so far?
- How many of those who have received a self-isolation payment were
 - in work?
 - receiving benefits?
 - had no recourse to public funds?
- Is there a breakdown of those who have received payments by gender, age and ethnicity?

Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

- How many self-isolation payments have been made? - 90
- How many of these were discretionary? - 34
- How many applications have been received for the main payment and for the discretionary payment? - 184 Main, 193 Discretionary
- What eligibility criteria has been used for the discretionary payment? This is available on our website via the following link

<https://www.hertsmere.gov.uk/Health--Wellbeing/Financial-support-when-self-isolating.aspx>

- How much funding was given for the main payment and how much has been used so far? - £37,500
- How much funding was given or the discretionary payment and how much has been used so far? - £25,580

- How many of those who have received a self-isolation payment were
 - in work? – All in work
 - receiving benefits? – 184 main scheme – 0 for the discretionary (that's what the discretionary scheme is)
 - had no recourse to public funds? 1
- Is there a breakdown of those who have received payments by gender, age and ethnicity? - We do not hold this information

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Thank you for your request.

Kind regards
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