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I write further to your email dated 21 October 2020.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), explained on our freedom of information page.

Your request:

- a) The total number of empty residential properties within your council boundaries currently. I am requesting information in regards to both council owned residential property/social housing and privately owned housing where available.
- b) The above split by the reasons that they are empty, other councils have provided reasons such as:

Unoccupied & furnished
Unoccupied & unfurnished
Unoccupied awaiting probate
Unoccupied after probate
Waiting to be removed from the list
Unoccupied Annexes
Empty boat/caravan
Mortgagee in possession
Unoccupied held for a Minister of religion
Unoccupied due to receiving care
Occupation prohibited by law
Owner detained elsewhere

Our response:

As of 12 November 2020 the total number of unoccupied properties in our district was 1255.

Second Home Class A	1
Second Home Class B	144
Long Term Empty Class C	303
Empty Uninhabitable/Major Works	34
Empty Unoccupied & Unfurnished	407
Long Term Empty premium	121
Exempt Class D	4
Exempt Class E	59

Exempt Class F	146
Exempt Class G	4
Exempt Class H	3
Exempt Class I	4
Exempt Class J	6
Exempt Class T	19

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If you are dissatisfied with the information supplied please feel free to contact me on the number above for any queries in relation to this response. Please note that in responding to further enquiries I can only comment on the information contained within this correspondence and cannot provide any further information that may pertain to an additional FOIA request.

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If you remain dissatisfied following the conclusion of the above informal review, you have the right to ask for an internal review. A request for a review whether formal or informal should be submitted within two calendar months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be sent to DPO@NWLeicestershire.gov.uk or the address above.

Further details on our appeals and complaints procedure can be found on our website here.

If you remain dissatisfied following the conclusion of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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