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Dear Ms Reynolds and Mr McFadden

SPENDING POWER FOR WOLVERHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

Thank you for your letter dated 12 December 2013 in which you seek clarification about the spending power for Wolverhampton City Council. I apologise for the delay in responding. The Statistics Authority has checked this matter with the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG), which publishes spending power figures as part of the Local Government Finance Settlement.¹ These figures are not official statistics.

The DCLG figures show that the 2013-14 spending power for Wolverhampton was £2,583 per dwelling. The 2013-14 spending power for West Midlands Fire was £93 per dwelling. The combined spending power for Wolverhampton and West Midlands Fire was £2,676 per dwelling.

The 2013-14 spending power for England as a whole was £2,216 per dwelling.

The reduction to Wolverhampton Council's spending power between 2012-13 and 2013-14 was -0.8 per cent. The reduction to the spending power of England as a whole over the same period was -1.3 per cent.

Yours sincerely



Sir Andrew Dilnot CBE

¹ <http://www.local.communities.gov.uk/finance/1314/settle.htm>