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Response provided under: Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request:

Please could you kindly send me any information you may hold relating to persons who are/were known to the Council via any of the following teams and who have died with:

- No known next of kin (defined as blood relatives) OR
- Where you have been unable to engage with or locate any KNOWN next of kin

Please provide details of cases that have occurred or come to your attention since 1/3/19 to the day of your reply.

The name of the team responsible varies but exists within all County Councils, London Boroughs, Unitary & Metropolitan District Councils.

Team names:

- Deputyship
- Appointeeship
- Adult social care
- Client Finance Team
- Protection of Property
- Financial Assessment
- Other team name whereby Council official(s) were charged with handling the financial affairs of the (now deceased) person

Please provide as much of the following information as you can:

1. full names of deceased persons,
2. dates of death,
3. marital status,
4. maiden surnames of married or widowed females,
5. dates of birth or ages at death,
6. last known addresses,

7. estimated value of estates,
8. date(s) when the information was passed (or information that is about to be or likely to be passed) to the Government Legal Department (formerly Treasury Solicitor) or the Duchy of Lancaster or Cornwall or any other 3rd party, or, confirmation that this will not be happening and the reason why.

The Council can confirm that it holds information in response to your request for information relating to deceased individuals that have no next of kin, and holds records on four individuals within the timeframe specified within your request but the Council has decided that this information should be withheld from disclosure to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 41 of the Freedom of Information Act (“the Act”).

The information being withheld includes full names of the deceased individuals, their dates of death, marital status, maiden surnames, dates of birth/ages at death and their last known address.

Information provided by: Adult Social Care

Date of response: 11th July 2019