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**Request:**

Could you please tell me the following information regarding Preston Ward in North Tyneside or if there isn't ward-specific data then the statistic for the entirety of North Tyneside would be fine:

1. How many residents have (1) applied and (2) been successfully awarded Council Tax Support

The number of claimants on Council Tax Support is as follows;

2020-22 = 17543

2019/20 = 17172

2018/19 = 17731

2. How many residents have made use of and been awarded Discretionary Housing Payment in Preston Ward.

2020/21 = 1006

2019/20 = 1067

2018/19 = 1035

3. How many residents live in Council/social housing in Preston ward.

There are 148 council homes in Preston ward and 320 social housing properties (source - ONS Census 2011). There is no specific data on the number of residents living in council/social housing.

4. How many businesses are there in Preston ward

The information on businesses isn't broken down to ward level, however it can be broken down to middle super output areas.

There are two middle super output areas (E02001754 : North Tyneside 017 and E02001757 : North Tyneside 020), which are close to, but slightly larger than Preston ward. From the ONS UK Business Counts Data 2019, there are 235 enterprises and 260 local units.

An enterprise can be thought of as the overall business, made up of all the individual sites or workplaces. It is defined as the smallest combination of legal units (generally based on VAT and/or PAYE records) that has a certain degree of autonomy within an enterprise group.

A local unit is an individual site (for example a factory or shop) associated with an enterprise. It can also be referred to as a workplace.



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5. How many businesses have made use of the relief grants and other funds available due to Covid-19.

Figures cannot be broken down into Preston ward only so the figures relate to the whole of North Tyneside.

Last year (April 2020 to Sep 2020):

Under the Local Authority Discretionary Grant Fund, 166 businesses were paid a grant. Under the official Small Business Grant Fund and the Retail, Hospitality & Leisure Grant Fund, 2849 business premises were paid a grant.

For the latest batch of grants, with local and national restrictions beginning 18/9/20, we have paid out the following:

Under the Local Restrictions Support Grant Fund, 1304 business premises have been paid grants for the various lockdown periods.

Under the Additional Restrictions Grant Scheme, 1228 businesses have been paid grants for the various lockdown periods.

Under the Restart Grant Scheme, 1051 business premises have been paid a restart grant.

6. How many residents have made use of covid-19 grants for non-business related matters

There is no data held as a number of partners delivered support from non business grants.

7. How many residents have made use of the Test and Trace support payments?

As at 20 May there have been 940 successful claims for a Test and Trace Payment

8. How many residents in Preston ward have applied for and been granted awards from the new poverty intervention fund?

The Poverty Intervention Fund is administered by organisations on behalf of the council. The authority does not hold any data on individuals as part of the fund, therefore we are unable to answer this question.

What other support is available for residents both generally and as a direct result of the covid-19 pandemic?