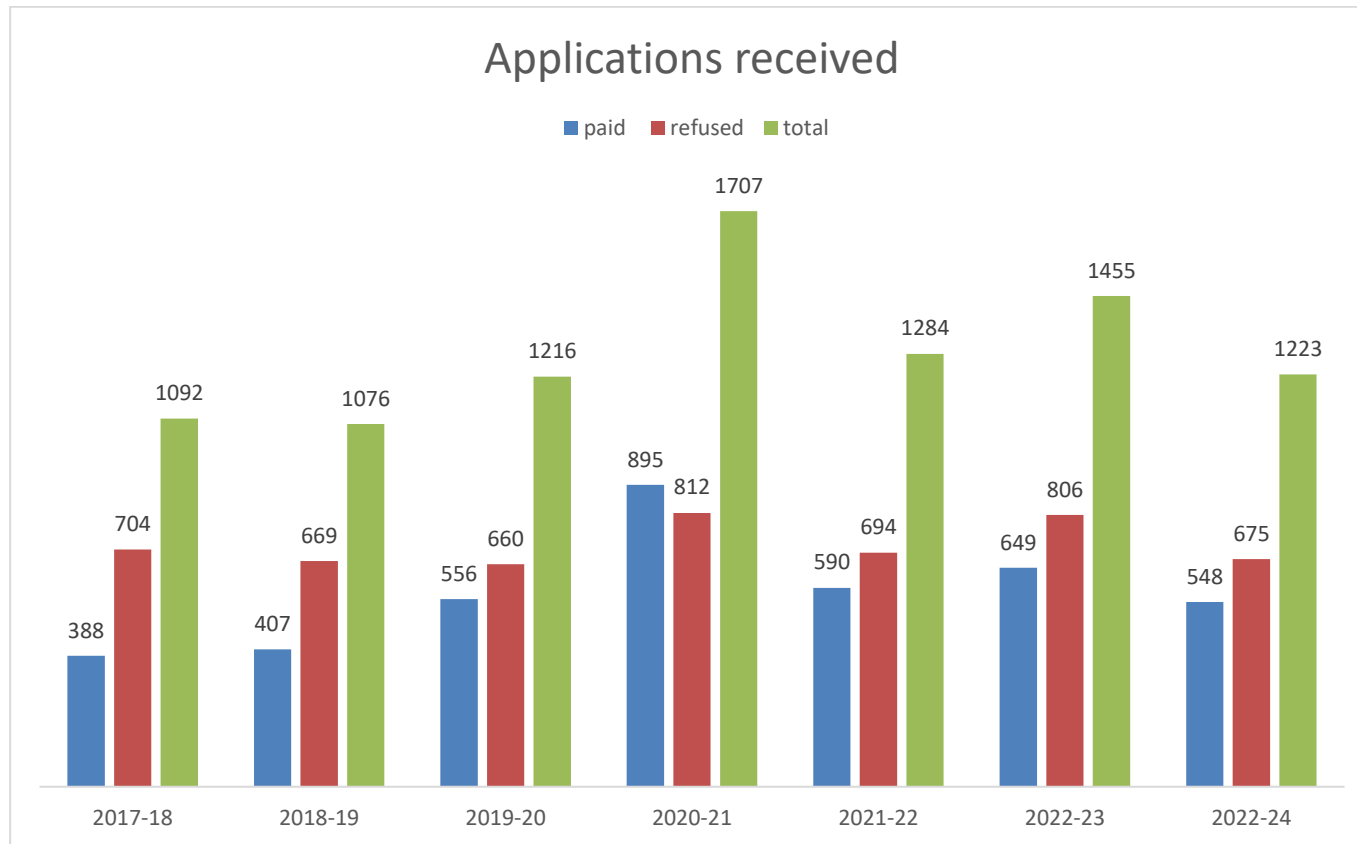


Annex B Discretionary Financial Support Summary Report May 2024

York Financial Assistance Scheme (YFAS)

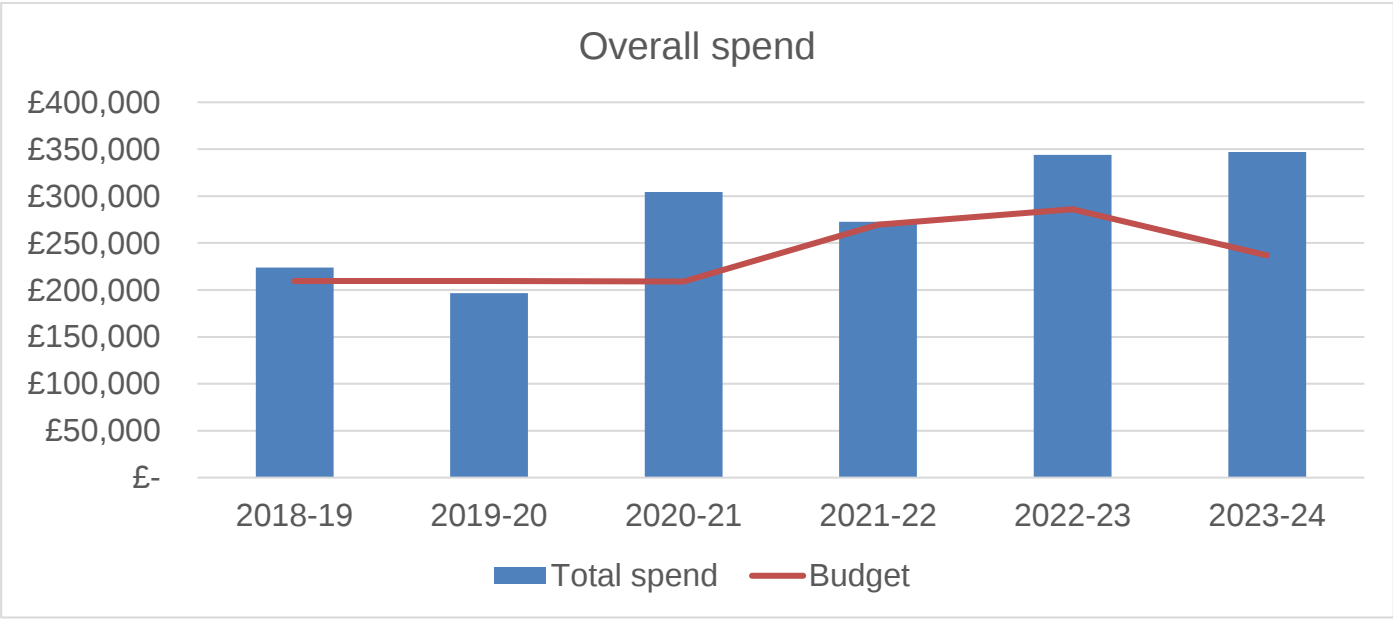
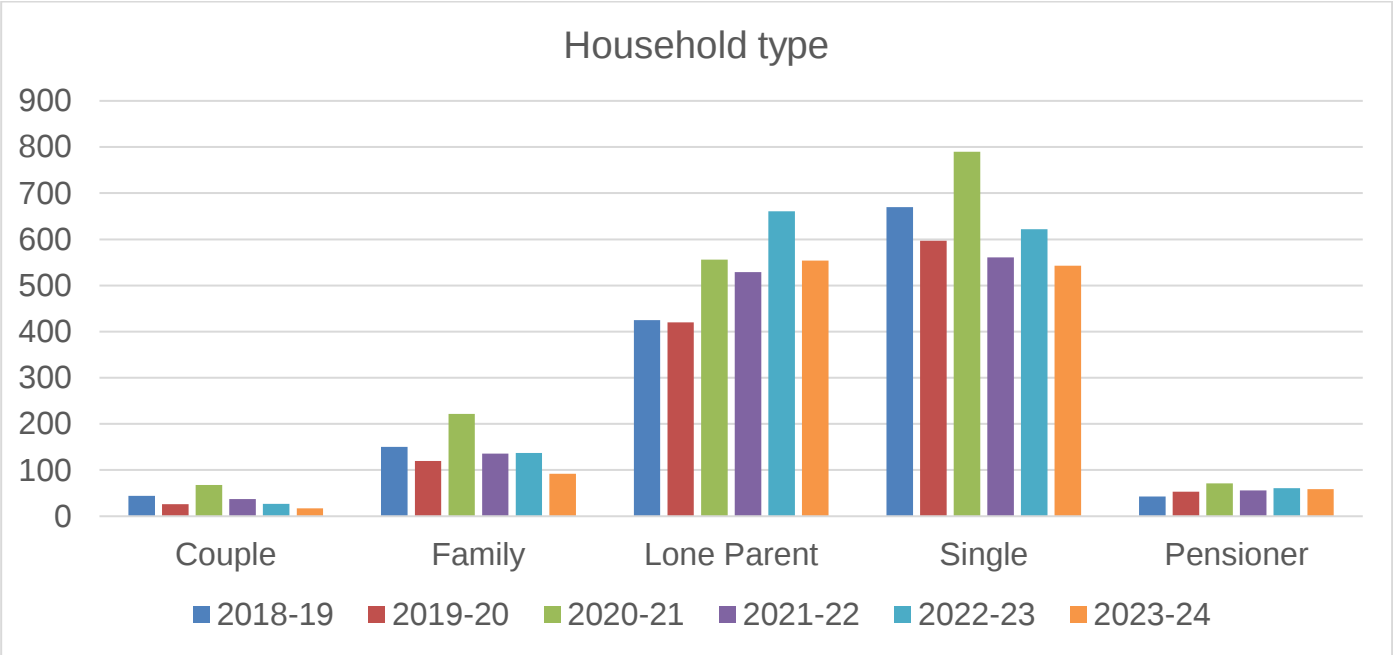
Total number of applications processed during financial year.



Requests for decisions to be reviewed

2023-24	26 reviews.	18 Decision upheld	8 Decision overturned. *
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*7 applicants provided additional information to support application



Main reasons given for application

% Applications	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Benefit delay/Universal Credit	18.6	8.6	0.9	24.6	0.5	0.5
Debt	3.3	2.8	1.5	1	1.1	0.9
Disaster	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.2
Emergency	11.7	9.4	11	13.3	9.3	11.2
Error					0.2	0.2
Exceptional pressures	19.2	18.9	29.9	23.2	23.1	25.4
Expenses	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.9
Flood	7.3	10	16.9	8.9	0.1	0.0
Fuel	5.5	7.6	15.6	13.4	9.8	8.3
No food				0.2	18.4	16.2
Other				0.4	0.1	0.0
Prison	2.9	3.8	1.8	2.6	0.1	0.5
Repair	9.7	8.1	7.8	10.4	4.4	3.7
Resettlement - homeless	7.1	8.4	3.9	6	11.3	14.5
Resettlement - other	10	4	6	8.2	6.0	5.4
Stay in the community	0	14	3.9		10.3	6.9
Travel					0.3	0.3
Vouchers					4.7	5.1
Unknown	3.9	4.6	9.5	9.4	0	0.0

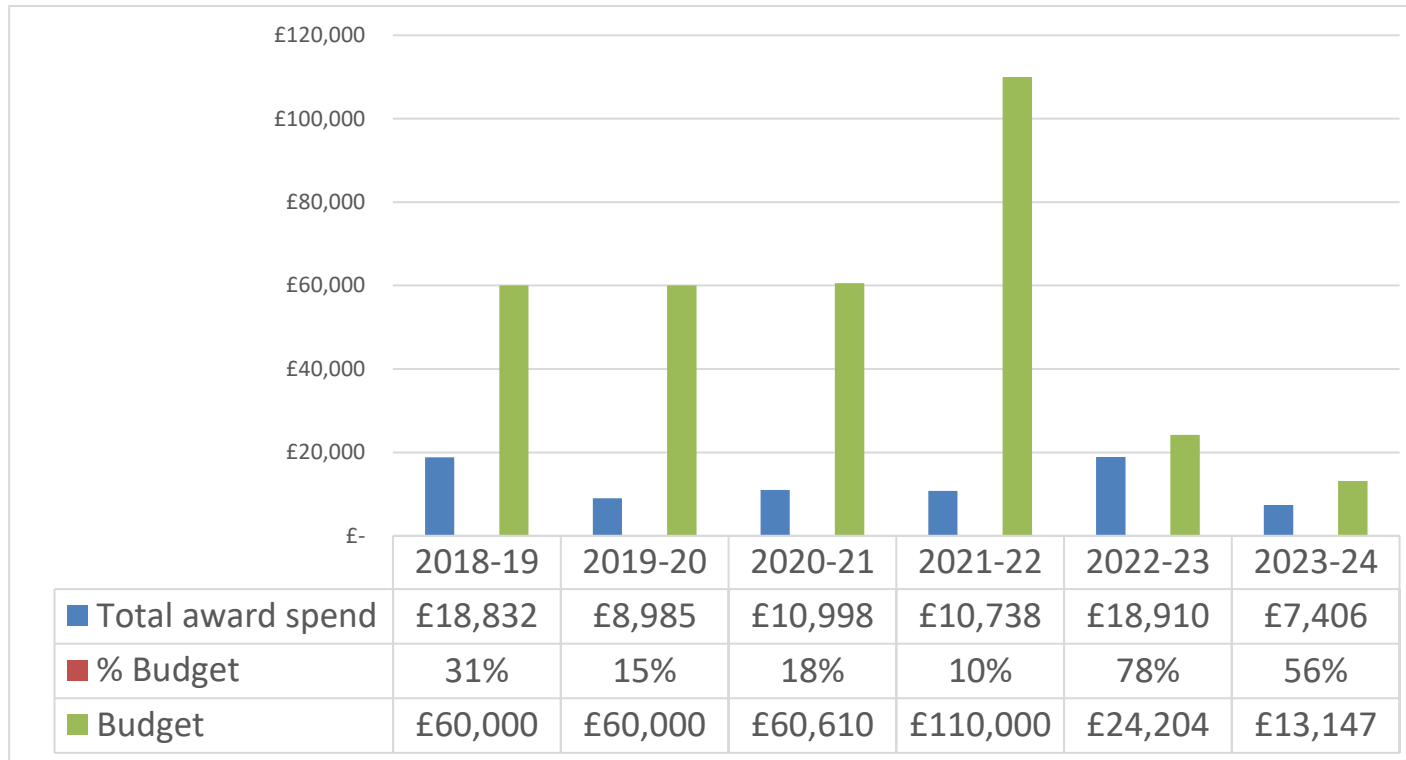
Grant amounts awarded

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Average award	£396	£352	£455	£172	£447	£499	£635
Lowest award	£20	£23	£20	£10	£15	£20	£23
Highest award	£193	£1,961	£1,961	£2,324	£2,522	£2419	£2310

Items awarded

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 Awarded	2023-24 Refused
Bed	43	45	31	66	40	72	58	12
Bedding	2	7	0	0	6	0	0	
Clothing	98	4	3	17	1	18	15	11
Cooker	63	36	55	91	19	85	90	4
Curtains	30	10	18	21	6	13	8	12
Floor cover	48	36	36	37	33	0	34	16
Fridge	37	30	51	69	29	46	49	6
Large fridge	20	0	0	0	7	3	3	
Fuel	189	67	100	46	33	55	59	9
Kitchen pk1	50	79	55	73	79	45	73	5
Kitchen pk3	2	4	5	3	3	14	10	6
Microwave	10	2	0	1	4	0	1	12
Removal	4	2	8	2	0	0	4	0
Repair	7	2	1	2	0	5	0	2
Resettlement packages	69	126	162	145	109	111	101	15
Sofa /chair	9	9	15	26	9	4	19	2
Supermarket vouchers	337	134	244	451	122	175	195	21
Table/ chair	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Travel cost	26	0	7	13	0	0	7	0
Wardrobe	9	8	21	25	8	3	16	1
Washer	38	37	39	55	29	37	54	4
Grand total	1092	638	851	1143	537	686	912	138

Discretionary Council Tax Reduction



Discretionary Housing Payment

The council received £163.9k in government funding for DHPs for 2023/24 in order to help with housing costs and has additional CYC budget of £27k in reserve.

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Total DHP Fund available	£237,097	£324,923	£231,377	£163,991	£163,991
Amount spent	£211,835	£298,252	£231,377	£175,195*	£163,991
Amount remaining	£25,262	£26,671	£0	£0	£0
Number of DHPs awarded	213	295	222	196	195