

High level analysis of FOIA & EIR.  
South Holland District Council

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Indications of the summary descriptions of FOIA requests at SHDC for 2022/23.

The number in the box is the number of these requests.

South Holland had received.

**413**

FOI and EIR type requests in the past year.

Many requests are isolated in nature too specific to aggregate under general heading.

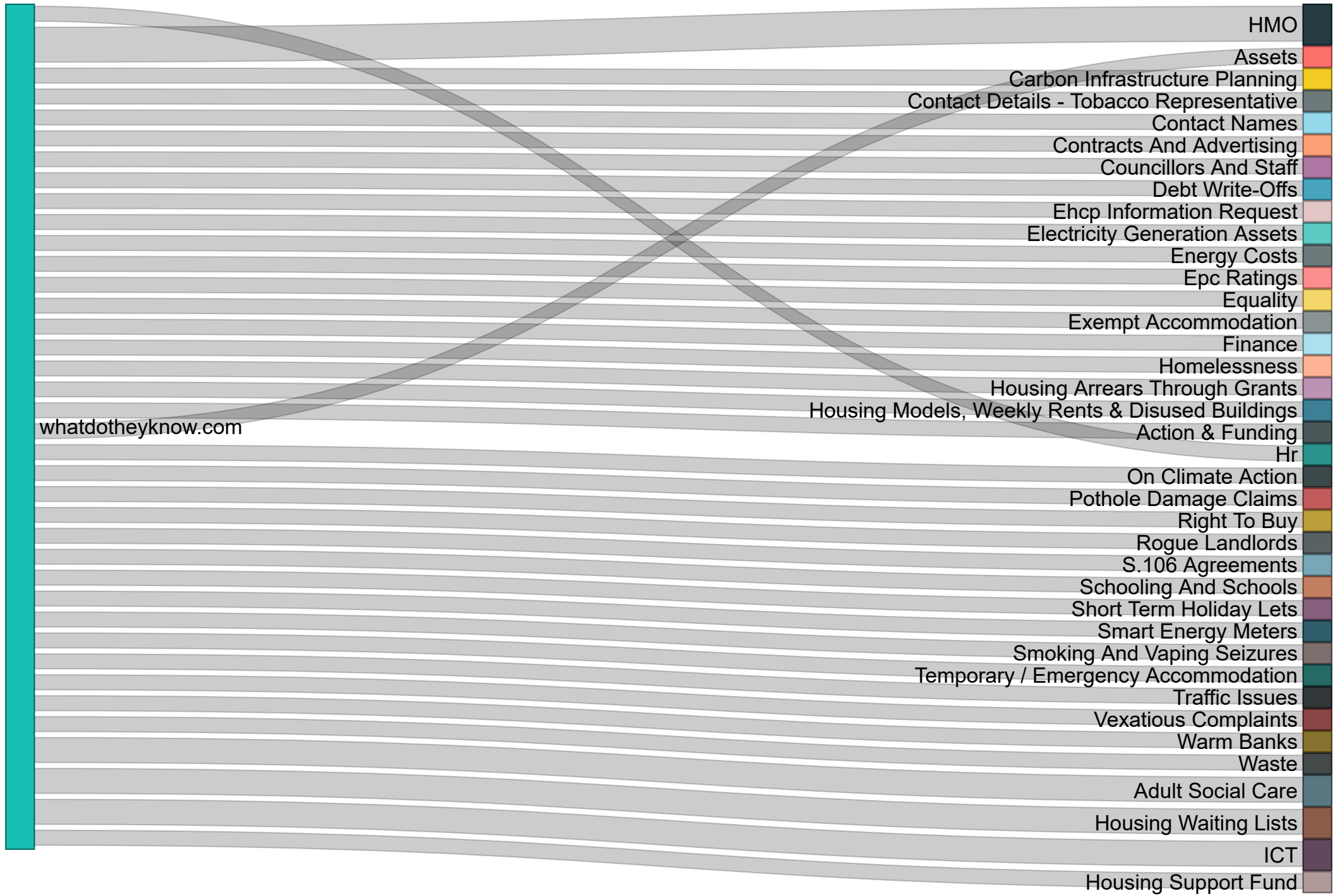
Subjective Summary	Number
Business Rates	3
Childrens Playgrounds	3
Councillor Expenses	3
Damp And Mould	3
Energy Costs	3
Food Safety	3
House Hold Support Fund	3
Local Plan	3
Noise Complaint Enforcement	3
Planning Applications	3
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Warm Banks	3
Working From Home	3
Adult Social Care	4
Childrens Services	4
Council Tax	4
HMO	4
Potholes	4
Schooling And Schools	4
Temporary / Emergency Accommodation	4
Children Services	5
Homelessness	5
Housing Waiting Lists	5
Ukrainian Nationals	5
Waste	5
Contact Names	6
Parking	7
Animal License	8
Taxi	8
Council Tax And Benefits Data	9
Planning Application	9
NNDR	10
ICT	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>171</b>

These two tables give an indication of both the number of each type (especially the left table) and the diversity of the less frequent requests.

188 Requests were single issue requests - we were unable to generalise.

225 were requests that could be aggregated, whilst each request may have been for specific data - the type of requests have been grouped into logical groupings.

Subjective Summary	Number
Funding Applicants	1
Action & Funding	1
Agency Staff	1
Allotments	1
Armchairs	1
Assets	1
Attachment Of Earnings	1
Beach Closures	1
Begging	1
BID	1
Biodiversity	1
Building Control Final Sign Off For A Premis	1
Carbon Infrastructure Planning	1
Care Homes	1
CARF	1
CCTV	1
Chauffeur Cars For Staff/Members	1
Child Health Care Plan	1
Childcare Provider Invoices	1
Christmas Trees	1
Civil Defence	1
Community Infrastructure Levy	1
Community Triggers	1
Compensation	1
Complaints	1
Complaints - Data	1
Complaints Against Staff / Councillors	1
Concessionary Travel Cards:	1
Confidential Waste	1
Consultants	1
Contact Details - Asylum Seekers	1
Contact Details - Tobacco Representative	1
Contaminated Land	1
Contracts And Advertising	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>242</b>



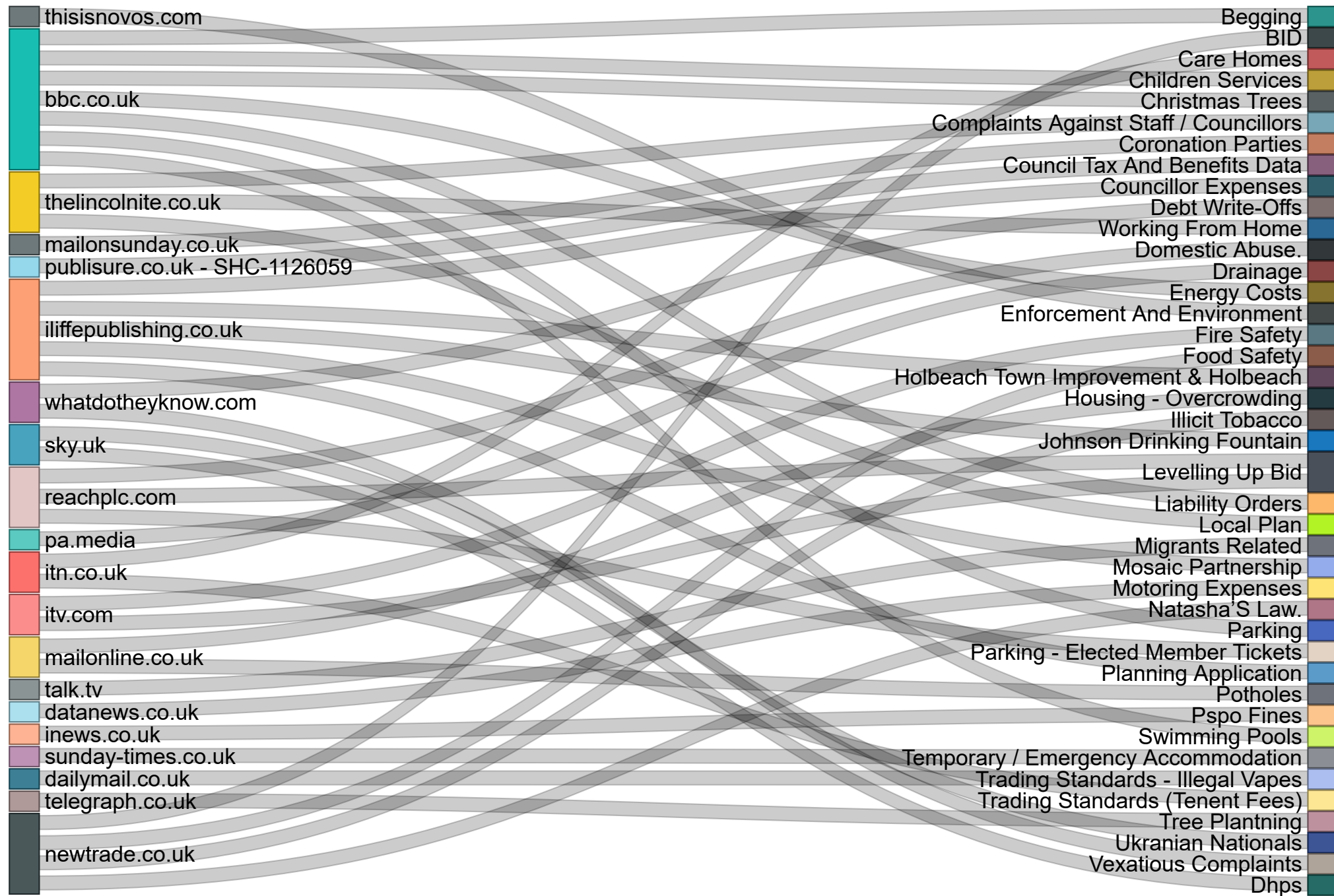
What do they know (WDTK) is a web service provided where requestors can make public their request to a Council, and it publically tracks and records the Councils performance and response to FOIA/EIR requests.

Here is a breakdown of WDTK requests last year.

WDTK accounted for 10% of FOIA's logged.

Total Number of WDTK requests

**43**

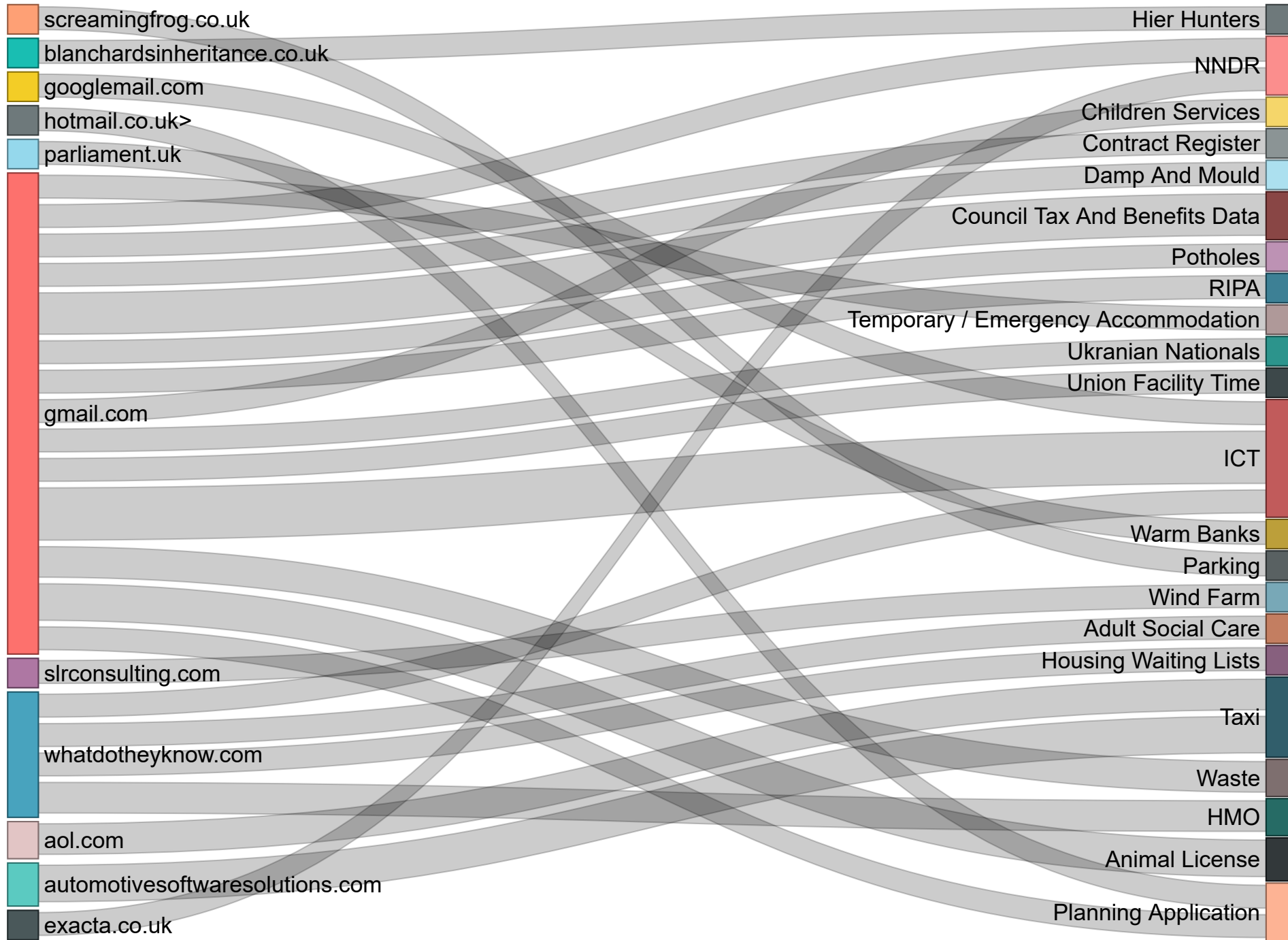


Shows the subjects that media agencies have been interested at the Council in 22/23.

It is clear that the BBC tends to use thier identifiable email account to ask questions.

This is only indicative as I am sure many journalists will disguise thier approaches from the many hotmail/gmail accounts.

For this reason any obscure requests are also communicated to the Councils communciations department and AD's where appropriate.



This diagram shows the variance in interest from those requestors that can be identified to a common source.

The propensity of gmail requests demonstrates those potentially obscuring their actual identity.

This is limited to requestors that have made more than one request to simplify this diagram.

Requests from most prolific requestors in 22/23.

Each box represents the requests from a single requestor.

We had 1 requestor ask 10 FOIA's 1 ask 6, and 1 ask 5 - all others asked 4 or less each.

(their identity is obscured)

Subjective Summary	Service Area (s)
Council Spend On Food And Drink	Finance
Emergency Accommodation	Housing
Evictions	Wellbeing and Community Leadership
Homeworking	HR
Invoice Payment	Finance
Language Guides	Print Room - Data
Members Allowances	DemSers
Mipim Conference	Feedback Team
Relocation Costs	HR
Staffing - Bonuses And Redundancies	HR

Subjective Summary	Service Area (s)
Action & Funding	DemSers
Carbon Infrastructure Planning	LCC
Councillors And Staff	HR
Energy Costs	SHDC Property - Breckland Procurement
Epc Ratings	Housing
On Climate Action	HR

Subjective Summary	Service Area (s)
Compensation	Housing
Damp And Mould	Housing
Housing Repairs	Housing
Housing Vacancies	HR
ICT	ICT





Breakdown of service areas by description, showing the number of FOIA's they have had last year.

Only service areas with 2 or more requests are shown for simplicity.

Clearly Housing, Communities, Planning and Council Tax/Benefits see the most FOIA.

LCC is the most asked about partner to this Council.