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Request / Response

Total number of garages currently owned or managed by the council. 2325 garages / 2 small garages / 16 stores.

Total number of garage blocks. This information is not held.

Number of garages currently tenanted. 1538 garages / 1 small garage / 2 stores.

Number of garages currently vacant. 787 garages / 1 small garage / 14 stores.

Average monthly rental price for a garage. Council Tenant £72.02 per mth & Non Council Tenant £97.08 per mth.

Number of garages considered unlettable or in disrepair. We do not hold this information.

Whether garage management is handled internally or outsourced (if outsourced, please name the third party).

Internally.

Estimated annual revenue lost due to vacant garages Based on 700 garages @ £16.61 = approx. £605K.

Average duration garages sit vacant before being re-let. We are not actively letting garages, just on an emergency basis, the garages let since April 2024 have been void on average for 85 weeks.



Garage occupancy rates for the past 3 years.

Dec 2021 - 2425 garages - 1899 Let / 526 Void

Dec 2022 - 2345 garages - 1840 Let / 505 Void

Sept 2024 - 2327 garages - 1671 Let / 656 Void

August 2025 - 2325 garage - 1538 Let / 787 Void

Our breakdown figures are not readily available, these have been produced with restricted information available to us.

Breakdown of void reasons (e.g. disrepair, access issues, planning constraints). Disrepair, resourcing issues and a short term interim repairs policy.

Lettings policy or eligibility criteria for tenants (e.g. can anyone rent them?). Anyone is eligible to rent one of our garages you don't have to be a tenant of Cornwall Housing.

Number of people currently on a waiting list for garages (if one exists). 480.

Software/system used to manage garage lettings. OPENHousing (MRI).

Total rental income from garages in the last financial year. in 2024/25 we accrued £1,262,052.42 of rental income from garages.

Any plans to sell, redevelop, or repurpose parts of the garage portfolio in the next 3 years.

Yes we have plans to sell, refurbish parts of the garage portfolio.

Number of people employed internally to manage the garages. 2 members of staff handle garage issues but this is part of their wider role with CHL.

Average response time to an inbound garage enquiry. We do not hold this information.

Information provided by Cornwall Housing Limited

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