

Request to provide a report in relation to how many EU nationals currently employed by the Council have been denied residency and what is the council doing to support them - Dawn Farquhar - (HR Manager)

Response – Dawn Farquhar HR Manager

As a Council we are not retrospectively checking the Settlement Status of staff who were employed by Midlothian Council before 30 June 2021 – the date by which people had to register with the Settlement Scheme – (and importantly there is no legal requirement for us to do so) – I can only advise that to the best of my knowledge there are currently zero EU nationals employed by Midlothian Council who have been denied residency. We would only be able to establish this if we undertook a retrospective check of **ALL** our workforce (we are not legally permitted to target groups of staff to establish Settlement Status).

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance

Kind regards

Dawn