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How many of the properties on Edinburgh's Royal Mile are owned/rented by the Gold Brothers and associated families

Property ownership information is held by the Scottish Assessors Association. The contact details can be found at the following link: <https://www.saa.gov.uk/>

What policy does the Council have in place to prevent a trading monopoly or a controlling rent cartel?

Matters relating to the operation of a cartel or monopoly do not fall under the remit of the Trading Standards Service, such matters are generally reserved for the Competition and Markets Authority. I can therefore confirm no information is held in relation to either a policy or other information in relation trading monopolies or rent cartels.

Further detail can be found at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/competition-and-markets-authority>