

11 February 2020
Our ref: 6005064

Thank you for your request received on 24 January 2020, for the following information:

I write to you in order to request the information set out below. My request is pursuant to the FOIA.

The information requested relates to the purchase of Section 106 affordable housing units in the local authority area by the company Sage Housing over the last three years.

The information I seek is:

1) the number of applications made by Sage Housing to acquire Section 106 affordable housing units in each calendar year of 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

2) the planning reference number that each application applies to

3) For each development in which Sage Housing has acquired Section 106 units between 01/01/2017 and 24/01/2020:

i) The name of the development

ii) The planning reference number

iii) The address of the development

iv) The postcode(s) of the development

v) The number of affordable units in the development

vi) The housing tenure mix (e.g social rent, affordable rent, shared ownership)

vii) The decision date (date/month/year)

viii) The date until when the units are contracted with Sage Housing to stay affordable

(date/month/year)

ix) The price paid by Sage Housing to acquire the development (if known)

x) For rental units, if the council has nomination rights to the first lets, what percentage of units will the council have nomination rights for on subsequent lets?

xi) List any requests made by Sage Housing to alter or amend the original Section 106 agreement and whether the council agreed to these.

xii) Whether the development is a completed or a forthcoming ('starts on site') development

4) For each development please attach the viability assessment

- 5) For each unit acquired by Sage Housing:**
- i) The name of the unit's development**
 - ii) The unit's address**
 - iii) The price paid by Sage Housing to acquire the unit (if known)**
 - iv) The Land Registry title number**

Please provide the information in an excel or CSV format, with the questions and sub-questions as column headings.

If you need clarification please contact me at this email address. Under your section 16 duty to provide advice and assistance I would expect you to contact me if you find this request unmanageable in any way before the 20th working day.

I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

We have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested. However, we consider that the following exceptions apply to some of the information requested.

We consider that Regulation 6(1)(b) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already publicly available and easily accessible.

The information you requested is available on our website using the following link - <https://publicaccess.barnet.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=advanced>

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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