

23 June 2020
Our ref: 6352852

Thank you for your request received on 28 May 2020, for the following information:

Planning approval F/05740/14. An email from Julia Smith (Clarion hg/Latimer Homes), dated 02.02.2015, content of which is not disclosed on the Planning Portal ' we formally hereby request disclosure of this email, by return, in same way as all other documents on the Portal or, if necessary, under Freedom of Information Act.

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 12 (4) (a) (Information not held) applies to the information requested because we do not hold the information requested. The ICO have stated that they do not expect a public authority to undertake a public interest test where they do not hold the information.

The planning service has confirmed that after the application's decision was made on the 9 February 2015, the physical file was destroyed and all documentation to do with the file will be on the system in line with our standard retention policies and procedures. Regrettably, we have checked our electronic holdings and are unable to locate the specific email requested and it appears that this email has not been retained.

The original case officer has now left the organisation and, if the email did exist, which I am unable to confirm, it has not been saved to the case file or communicated to existing staff. This information is therefore not held.

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/>

Advice and Assistance : Direct Marketing

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Your rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information Management Team at: foi@barnet.gov.uk. Or by post to Information Management Team (FOI) London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

If, having exhausted our review procedure, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you will have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (telephone: 0303 123 1113; website www.ico.org.uk). There is no charge for making an appeal.