



Homes &
Communities
Agency

Our Reference:

BY EMAIL ONLY

12 October 2015

Dear

Request for Information

Thank you for your email dated 15 September 2015 requesting information on AKSA Homes. For ease of reference your request is below:

“Please can you confirm the level of funds released to AKSA Homes (via New Charter Housing Association) for the current year for the Homes for All scheme.

This scheme is designed to put empty homes back into occupation by providing for the properties to be renovated and leased to AKSA for rent [at lower than market-rate rents].

I am given to understand that no funding is presently available, notwithstanding my being in a position to provide an empty home [in the Oldham area] to AKSA for occupation.

Therefore, please can you confirm the level of funds made available for this purpose [for the current financial year].”

We have now had an opportunity to investigate your request and are writing to communicate our response. We can confirm that no funds have been released to AKSA Homes for this financial year. Although the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) has agreed to allocate funding to AKSA Homes, this is still subject to contract and so to date no funding is available to them until the contract has been entered into. You may wish to check the [Affordable Homes Programme 15-18's webpage](#) as further details of allocations will be published there in due course.

In your email you comment that you have an empty home that may be suitable for bringing back into use. In the first instance, you may wish to make contact with the Local Authority (in this case, Oldham Council) who will be able to advise you on the options available.

If you have any questions regarding this response or any further queries you can contact us at the following addresses and quote your unique reference number found at the top of this letter:

Homes and Communities Agency
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homesandcommunities.co.uk

Email: mail@homesandcommunities.co.uk

Mail: Information Access Officer
Homes and Communities Agency
Fry Building
2 Marsham Street
London
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If you are unhappy with the way Homes and Communities Agency has handled your request you may ask for an internal review. You should contact

Head of Legal Services
Homes and Communities Agency
Fry Building
2 Marsham Street
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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Homes and Communities Agency