



Our Reference:

BY EMAIL ONLY

11 May 2015

Dear

Request for Information

Thank you for your email dated 15 April 2015 requesting information on Registered Providers' audited accounts. For ease of reference your request is below:

Accordingly, as I am aware from the conversation that you and I had this afternoon that you hold the latest audited accounts of all the organisations registered with your organisation, as a "Freedom of Information" request, I would appreciate hearing from you as to the possibility of you providing financial and other information to me, ideally by way of either a compact disk or some other electronic form, on the Housing Associations that are registered with the Homes and Communities Agency who see their main activity as the housing of individuals with learning difficulties.

Additionally, as we work with a number of institutions/pension funds that are based in Scotland, I would appreciate hearing from you as to any information that you may have as to your "opposite number", so to speak, in Scotland as I would wish to try to replicate the request made to you, as detailed above, to an individual in Scotland, thereby enabling us to offer Scottish investment entities the opportunity to consider the suitability of funding/investing in Housing Associations in that country.

We have now had an opportunity to investigate your request and are writing to communicate our response. Whilst the Homes and Communities Agency does collect information from Registered Providers (RPs), this information is not to a level of detail that would identify if an RP provides housing mainly for people with learning disabilities. Therefore we are unable to identify and provide you with the names of the RPs that fall within the scope of your request, and subsequently the accounts for such RPs. However, we can confirm that we do hold the most recent audited accounts for all RPs registered with the HCA, some of which will also be available at Companies House.

Regarding the second part of your request, for contact details for the organisation who would be best placed to advise on this information for RPs operating in Scotland, this section of your request has been responded to under my email of 17 April 2015 to you.

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:

Email: mail@homesandcommunities.co.uk

Mail: Information Access Officer

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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

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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

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Yours sincerely

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Information Access Officer

Homes and Communities Agency