

Date: 28/01/19
Our Ref: RFI2580
Your Ref: FOI Request – MOD Land Development
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Dear ██████████

RE: Request for Information – RFI2580

Thank you for your recent email, which was processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). For clarification, you requested the following information:

Can you please help with some information please.

I have been looking at the Homes England's Development and Land Disposal plan June 2018.

On page 5 it talks about Homes England's land and property portfolio

Homes England's land and property portfolio

Homes England is a significant public sector landowner with a varied and complex land and property portfolio that is spread across a wide geography over England (excluding London). The portfolio comprises former New Town land, coalfield sites, assets inherited from the former Regional Development Agencies (RDAs) and sites acquired from other public landowners including from the MoD and the Department of Health.

Are you able to send me a register of former MOD land acquired by Homes England and added to your portfolio, including sites still in your ownership and historic sites already disposed of?

I am also trying to find out how MOD land which has been disposed of already has been utilised? Are there any examples of MOD land which has not been utilised for homes but used for other purposes?

Are any of the sites in the June 18 plan ex MOD sites?

Do you have any MOD land, not yet disposed of, which is being used to generate income, if so how?

I realise I have a few questions and very much hope you are able to help with these.

Response

We are able to confirm that we do hold some of the information that falls within the scope of your request.

For background, whilst our trading name is Homes England, the legal entity that we operate under continues to be the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). Under the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (HRA) the Homes and Communities Agency came into operation in December 2008.

Using January 2009 as a starting point for your enquiry Homes England/HCA has acquired land at the locations set out in the table labelled Annex A which is enclosed with this response. Where specified as being built out in most cases this means the release of parcels of land to market on a phased development so some parts of each larger development site will now have been "sold" as development on those smaller parcels is completed.

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The table addresses your questions posed as far as possible with the information that we hold. Some sites do currently generate an income from interim commercial use(s) pending development.

Advice and Assistance

We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA. We are able to confirm that we cannot answer the following question;

I am also trying to find out how MOD land which has been disposed of already has been utilised? Are there any examples of MOD land which has not been utilised for homes but used for other purposes?

We do not hold the information to be able to provide a response. We do however suggest that you direct this part of your request to the MOD directly.

Right to Appeal

If you are not happy with the information that has been provided or the way in which your request has been handled you may request an internal review by writing to;

The Information Access Team
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You may also complain to the Information Commissioner however, the Information Commissioner does usually expect the internal review procedure to be exhausted in the first instance.

The Information Commissioner's details can be found via the following link

<https://ico.org.uk/>

Please note that the contents of your request and this response are also subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Homes England may be required to disclose your request and our response accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

Information Access Team
For Homes England