

Date: 28/11/19  
Our Ref: RFI2856  
Your Ref: FOI Request – Millennium Dome  
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Dear [REDACTED]

**RE: Request for Information – RFI2856**

Thank you for your request for information, which was processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

For clarification, you requested the following information:

I'm writing an article about the Millennium Dome, which is coming up for 20 years old. I have some questions relating to its legacy, which was partly the responsibility of your predecessor English Partnerships:

- the official cost given for the Millennium Experience was £789m. Did that include the cost of decontamination of the Dome's site
- do you have more detail on how the £789m breaks down, or should I go to another department, such as the DCMS, for this?
- did this figure include the cost of decontamination of the surrounding land, that was eventually sold to Meridian Delta?
- as I understand it, the deal with Meridian Delta included the 24 acres covered by the Dome itself, 24 acres of land immediately around it, and an additional area of 86 acres: are these figures correct?
- what was the sum for which the above land was sold to Meridian Delta?
- what was the percentage share of future profits that would be returned to the public sector under this agreement?
- at the time it was said that "up to" £550 million would be returned to the government. Has this figure been reached? Can you say how much has in fact been returned to government? And how much do you expect in the future?

**Response**

I can confirm that Homes England does not hold the information detailed in your request. This is because there is no legal or business reason for Homes England to do so.

In order to conclude that the information is not held, we have searched with our Legal Land Team who would have the requested information if held.

The FOIA does not oblige a public authority to create information to answer a request if the requested information is not held. The duty under section 1(1) is only to provide the recorded information held.

The full text of section 1 in the legislation can be found here:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/1>

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We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA. To comply with this duty we are able to confirm the whole Greenwich Peninsula Site and all documents relating to it transferred to the Greater London Authority (GLA) back in 2012.

We therefore suggest that you may wish to submit your request to the GLA, contact information is noted below for ease.

Email address: [mayor@london.gov.uk](mailto:mayor@london.gov.uk)

Post:  
Public Liaison Unit  
Greater London Authority  
The Queen's Walk  
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### **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  
Homes England – 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Or by email to [foi@homesengland.gov.uk](mailto:foi@homesengland.gov.uk)

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