



Homes  
England

Date: 08/01/2020  
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By Email Only

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Dear ██████████

**RE: Request for Information – RFI2863**

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

*I am looking for some assistance with your organisation's Spend/Transparency data, available on the following weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homes-england-spend-for-transactions-over-250>*

*There appears to be no file available for the month of October 2019. Could you advise when the file will be made available to view online? Would it be possible for you to email me a copy of the October 2019 file please and thank you?*

**Response**

We are able to inform you that we do hold the information that you have requested. However, we rely on section 21, exemption where information is available to the applicant elsewhere.

The full text of the legislation can be found on the following link and we have quoted section 21 below for ease.

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>

**21 - Information accessible to applicant by other means.**

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

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(3)For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

### **Advice and Assistance**

We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA. As part of this duty we are able to advise that the data you have requested is uploaded to the following link approximately one month in arrears: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homes-england-spend-for-transactions-over-250> .

### **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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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**  
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