



Homes
England

Date: 20/05/2020

Our Ref: RFI2989

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By Email Only

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Dear ██████████,

RE: Request for Information – RFI2989

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 have been conducting research on the UK housing market and I would like some information about the UK's ambition to build 300,000 new homes a year by 2020, as outlined in the link, dated 2018.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-announces-new-housing-measures>

I have been asked to find out how this figure came about. What were the methodologies and numbers used to arrive at this figure? Is this publically disclosed information?

Response

I am able to confirm that Homes England does not hold the information detailed in your request.

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>

Advice and Assistance

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 that whilst Homes England is the Government's Housing accelerator, we are sponsored by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG). The figure referred to in your request is a matter of Government policy and therefore your request should be directed to our sponsor department, MHCLG.

MHCLG can be contacted via the following:

mhclgcorrespondence@communities.gov.uk

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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 Governance Team
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Or by email to infogov@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,

The Information Governance Team
For Homes England

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