



Homes
England

Date: 21 August 2020

Our Ref: RFI3062

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By Email Only

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Dear [REDACTED]

RE: Request for Information – RFI3062

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

Please can you provide me with a list of all costs incurred to date by Homes England (and in the previous incarnation as the Homes and Communities Agency) associated with the proposed Chalgrove Airfield development.

If possible, please provide a breakdown of where these costs were incurred.

This should include, but not be limited to Research/Survey costs Enquiry by Design & consultation costs Consultant fees Legal fees Documents, newsletters, letters Social Media costs, including website management and maintenance (unless included in Consultant fees Ancillary costs (travel/accommodation (e.g. for public consultations, meetings etc), administrative costs) Any other relevant costs associated with the development

Response

We can confirm that we do hold the requested information.

Since the site was acquired by Homes England in 2016, the following costs have been incurred on the Chalgrove Airfield project up to 7 August 2020.

For clarity, we can advise that these are actual, incurred costs, not estimates. Furthermore, the land acquisition costs would be recovered upon any sale of the land.

1. Initial site investigation and holding costs	£208,256.70
2. Consultancy costs	£3,643,164.22
3. Legal costs	£290,289.00
4. Pre application and application fees	£188,220
5. Land Acquisition including SDLT	£5,763,875
Total	£10,093,804.92

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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

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