



Homes  
England

Date: 8 April 2021  
Our Ref: RFI3385  
Tel: 0300 1234 500  
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By Email Only

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Homes England – 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Dear ██████████

**RE: Request for Information – RFI3385**

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

*I would like to know the breakdown of sums received for the release of restrictive covenants. Payments to Homes England. Years 2019 to today.*

*With particular emphasis on covenants that restrict building/development of land.*

We asked you to clarify what information you are seeking when you refer to a 'breakdown' and you advised as follows:

*I want to know how many times, and how much, even if it is £0, Homes England have been paid for the release of a restrictive covenant related to developing land for which Homes England are the covenant owner.*

**Response**

We can confirm that we do hold the requested information.

For the release of a restrictive covenant relating to developing land which Homes England are the owner from 1 April 2019 to date the information requested is as follows:

***How many times:*** 46

***How much paid to Homes England:*** £832,271

**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. You can request an internal review by writing to Homes England via the details below, quoting the reference number at the top of this letter.

Email: [infogov@homesengland.gov.uk](mailto:infogov@homesengland.gov.uk)

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Your request for review must be made in writing, explain why you wish to appeal, and be received within 40 working days of the date of this response. Failure to meet this criteria may lead to your request being refused.

Upon receipt, your request for review will be passed to an independent party not involved in your original request. We aim to issue a response within 20 working days.

You may also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) 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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