



Homes
England

Date: 26 April 2021

Our Ref: RFI3391

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By Email Only

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Dear ██████████

RE: Request for Information – RFI3391

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

Ifield Golf Club, RH11 0LN

with regards to the above mentioned land which we have seen was acquired by Homes England in November 2020.

To ensure we are representing all parties involved in the sale accurately, I was hoping to confirm some information regarding the sale with you.

If possible, are you able to confirm the price for which the land was acquired as well as whether any agents were involved in the sale?

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 such we can advise that the price paid by Homes England for this land is available at Land Registry under Title Number WSX324228. The information can be requested via the following link: [Get information about property and land - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/get-information-about-property-and-land).

Homes England publishes opportunities regarding land on our Land Hub, available here: [How Homes England sells land for housing-led developments - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/how-homes-england-sells-land-for-housing-led-developments).

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.

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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.



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Yours sincerely,

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