



Homes  
England

Date: 27 April 2021

Our Ref: RFI3434

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 – RFI3434**

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 a list of all list of providers of affordable housing be it registered providers (housing associations) or Public Sector council housing which details % of each entities stock which fails the Decent Homes Standard*

*Alternatively can you provide the same % split failing but purely by entity type - Housing Association or Public Sector*

**Response**

We are able to confirm that Homes England does not hold the information detailed in your request. This is because there is no legal or business reason for Homes England to do so.

In order to conclude that the information is not held, we have searched with our Affordable Housing team who would have the requested information if held.

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 Homes England does not collect information on stock held by providers and the Decent Homes Standard. We can advise that you contact the Regulator of Social Housing (RSH) as they collect stock information from providers on an annual basis which may include information on homes that meet the Decent Homes Standard.

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Contact information for RSH is as follows:

[Regulator of Social Housing - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

[enquiries@rsh.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@rsh.gov.uk)

Referrals and Regulatory Enquiries team - FOI request

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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. 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.

Yours sincerely,

**The Information Governance Team**

For Homes England

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