



Homes  
England

Date: 26 May 2021

Our Ref: RFI3451

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By Email Only

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Dear ██████████

**RE: Request for Information – RFI3451**

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

*What is the annual Apprenticeship Levy?  
How much Levy do you currently use?  
How many Apprentices do you currently have?  
What training providers do you use?  
What Apprenticeship standards do you use?  
How many IT Apprentices do you have?  
Who is the best contact for Apprentices?*

**Response**

We can confirm that we do hold the requested information. We will address each of your questions in turn.

***What is the annual Apprenticeship Levy?***

0.5% of our total annual pay bill

***How much Levy do you currently use?***

Funds spent since May 2020 are £30,493

***How many Apprentices do you currently have?***

Six

***What training providers do you use?***

As a public body we use a Crown Commercial Service Framework to procure training providers. The framework is the 'Crown Commercial Services Apprenticeship Training Dynamic Marketplace DPS' (Dynamic Purchasing System), available on the following link: [Apprenticeship Training Dynamic Marketplace DPS - CCS \(crowncommercial.gov.uk\)](https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/apprenticeship-training-dynamic-marketplace-dps)

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***What Apprenticeship standards do you use?***

Chartered Surveyor level 6

Civil Engineer level 6

Security First Line Manager level 3

Assistant Accountant level 3

***How many IT Apprentices do you have?***

None

***Who is the best contact for Apprentices?***

Section 40 – Personal information

We are withholding information on the grounds that it constitutes third party personal data and therefore engages section 40(2) of the FOIA.

To disclose personal data, such as names, contact details and email addresses could lead to the identification of third parties and would breach one or more of the data protection principles.

Section 40 is an absolute exemption which means that we do not need to consider the public interest in disclosure. Once it is established that the information is personal data of a third party and release would breach one or more of the data protection principles, then the exemption is engaged.

The full text in the legislation can be found on the following link;

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/40>

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 the responsible team is the Learning and Development Team. Correspondence for this team can be routed via our general Enquiries team via the following methods: [enquiries@homesengland.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@homesengland.gov.uk) / 0300 1234 500.

**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**

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