

Date: 20 August 2021 Our Ref: RFI3576 Tel: 0300 1234 500 Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

By Email Only

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Information Governance Team Homes England Windsor House – 6th Floor 50 Victoria Street London SW1H oTL

Dear

RE: Request for Information – RFI3576

Thank you for your request for information which was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You requested the following information:

Please provide the following information for 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21:

- The value of grants made to each of the organisations listed below. Please provide the information for each of the three financial years separately, and list all grants separately.
- The value of loans made to each of the organisations listed below. Please provide the information for each of the three financial years separately, and list all loans separately.

The payments made to charities and third sector organisations relate to the following only:

- Operation Black Vote
- U.K. Black Pride
- Mermaids
- Ozanne Foundation
- Gendered Intelligence
- British Medical Association
- ActionAid UK
- Hope Not Hate
- Led by Donkeys
- Extinction Rebellion
- Migrants Organise
- CLASS
- Black Lives Matter
- Action on Smoking and Health
- Action on Smoking and Health Scotland
- Action on Smoking and Health Wales
- Breath 2025
- Association of Directors of Public Health
- Improving Performance in Practice (previously Public Management Associates)

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Response

We can confirm that Homes England does not hold the information detailed in your request.

To conclude that the information is not held, we have searched with our Finance 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 has not made any payments, grants or loans to any of the companies detailed in your request.

<u>Right to Appeal</u>

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: <u>https://ico.org.uk/</u>



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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