



Homes
England

Date: 24 July 2020

Our Ref: RFI3050

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By Email Only

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Dear ██████████

RE: Request for Information – RFI3050

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

For clarification, you requested the following information:

1. *How many people are employed by your organisation, including full time and part time?*
2. *What is your current intranet solution? (Sharepoint, Wordpress, Invotra, etc)*
3. *How long have you been using this intranet solution?*
4. *When is your intranet contract up for renewal?*
5. *What is your annual intranet budget?*
6. *Do you share an intranet/IT services with other organisations, if so who?*
7. *Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for managing your intranet internally?*
8. *Are you using the Office 365 suite? If so, which applications from the suite are in use?*
9. *Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for your intranet's procurement within the organisation?*
10. *Is your Active Directory hosted on-premise, or in the cloud?*
11. *Could you provide us with a link to your Digital Workplace Strategy?*

Response

We can confirm that we do hold some of the information that falls within the scope of your request, we will address each question in turn below.

1. *How many people are employed by your organisation, including full time and part time?*

We can confirm that the number of employees employed by Homes England at the date of your request was 1,237.

2. *What is your current intranet solution? (Sharepoint, Wordpress, Invotra, etc)*

We can confirm that our current intranet solution is Wordpress.

3. *How long have you been using this intranet solution?*

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We have been using this intranet solution for approximately 8 years.

4. *When is your intranet contract up for renewal?*

We can confirm that no contract is in place and so there is no renewal date.

5. *What is your annual intranet budget?*

We can confirm that we have an ad-hoc support budget circa of £2,000.00.

6. *Do you share an intranet/IT services with other organisations, if so who?*

We can confirm that Homes England has a shared service with our parent government department the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. (MHCLG).

7. *Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for managing your intranet internally?*

Our Digital & Communications Teams are responsible for the intranet.

8. *Are you using the Office 365 suite? If so, which applications from the suite are in use?*

We can confirm that we are using Office 365. We use applications such as Exchange Online, Teams, SharePoint, PowerApps, PowerBI, OneDrive, Planner, Forms.

9. *Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for your intranet's procurement within the organisation?*

Our Digital & Communications Teams are responsible for the procurement of the intranet.

10. *Is your Active Directory hosted on-premise, or in the cloud?*

Our Active Directory is hosted on-Premise with sync to Azure AD

11. *Could you provide us with a link to your Digital Workplace Strategy?*

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

In order to conclude that the information is not held, we have searched with our Digital 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>



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We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with section 16 of the FOIA, to fulfil this duty we can confirm that we do not hold such a document however we can direct you to Homes England's Strategic Plan which has a section around Digital Transformation.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homes-england-strategic-plan-201819-to-202223/homes-england-strategic-plan-2018-to-2023>

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 by writing to;

The Information Governance Team
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Or by email to; infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

You may also complain to the Information Commissioner 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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