



Date: 29 April 2022 Our Ref: RFI3836 Tel: 0300 1234 500

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

Dear

### RE: Request for Information - RFI3836

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:

Re:- Plot 40 Huntingdon Crescent Chepstow Drive Milton Keynes
Property Address 30 Huntingdon Crescent Far Bletchley Milton Keynes MK3 5NT

Over the past couple of years I have requested of yourselves a number of times without any success a schedule of tree plantings from the (Commission for the New Towns) Homes England. In the last few days I have been presented with form/letter No 72MK229 dated 16/11/94 showing that there is in fact a schedule of tree plantings, I attach the form/letter.

I would therefore request a copy of the Planning Drawing with a reference T390/1B this appears to be in a file under the File No PL/MK/04

# Response

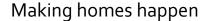
We can confirm that we do hold some of the requested information. For clarity, we will address each of your points separately.

#### **Schedule of Tree Plantings**

Section 14(2) – Repeated Requests

We have considered your request for a schedule of tree plantings and have concluded that a response is refused under Section 14(2) of the FOIA.

Where a public authority has previously complied with a request for information which was made by any person, it is not obliged to comply with a subsequent *identical* or *substantially similar* request from that person unless a





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reasonable interval has elapsed between compliance with the previous request and the making of the current request.

On the 1 April 2020 we responded to a request which was identical to that of the above and also submitted by you, referenced RFI2945. Therefore Section 14(2) is engaged and maintained.

Once the first Section 14(2) refusal notice has been issued we will not continue to acknowledge or respond to repeated requests. Please take this is as the first refusal notice. However, should a new request be received from you that is substantially different in nature, we will process said request under the FOIA.

### 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 advise that our response referenced RFI2945 confirmed that no tree planting schedule was held by Homes England. The attachment you provided in your request "form/letter No 72MK229 dated 16/11/94" was also provided to you in that response, referenced Annex A.

Though we are not obliged to do so given this is a repeated request we have again searched our records held for this matter/plot and can again confirm that no tree planting schedule is held. It may be that further information was held in the past but was destroyed in line with our retention schedule.

#### Planning Drawing with a reference T390/1B

We can confirm that we do hold a planning drawing for this plot with the above reference. This is provided attached as Annex A.

## Right to Appeal

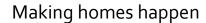
If you are not happy with the information that has been provided or the way in which your request has been handled, you may request an internal review. You can request an internal review by writing to Homes England via the details below, quoting the reference number at the top of this letter.

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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.





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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

