



Homes  
England

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By Email Only

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Dear [REDACTED]

**RE: Request for Information – RFI4210**

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:

*Qu1. Has the following housing association received any **Social Housing Grant** funding since 2010:*

- *WAKEFIELD AND DISTRICT HOUSING LIMITED (Community Benefit Society No. 7530) of Merefield House, Whistler Drive, Castleford WF10 5HX*

*Qu2. If the answer to Qu1 is 'Yes', please provide a breakdown of the **Social Housing Grant** funding amount the above organisation has been awarded, since 2010, to date, by:*

*a) calendar year*

*b) local authority area / Lower Layer Super Output Areas (LSOAs) to which the funding relates*

*c) purpose to which the funding relates - i.e Housing Development (specific developments if available)*

**Response**

We can confirm that we do hold information in the scope of your request, which is enclosed with this response as Annex A.

Annex A sets out which programme the funding was allocated under. Further information on the applicable Homes England funding schemes can be found on the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/shared-ownership-and-affordable-homes-programme-2016-to-2021-guidance>

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Where Annex A shows 'o' this means that the funding scheme was open to applications but that no funding was allocated in that year to the organisation. Where Annex A shows a blank cell, the funding scheme was not available to the organisation in that year.

Within Annex A where the type is 'Right to Acquire' these are all for individual units. However, Homes England do not count these units against either our starts or completion targets and therefore they are listed as 'o' in the 'Total Homes 10/11 to 21/22' column.

### **Specific Developments:**

In relation to your request for "specific developments" we have provided the first part of the postcode of the address to which the funding relates.

We rely on Section 40 (2) of the FOIA to withhold specific addresses and full postcode details from disclosure:

#### Section 40 – Personal information

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

To disclose personal data (specific 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**

In order to provide advice and assistance in relation to your request please find on the following link further information on allocations under Homes England's funding schemes as detailed in Annex A:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/shared-ownership-and-affordable-homes-programme-2016-to-2021-summary>.

### **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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