



Homes
England

The Housing and Regeneration Agency

Date: 23 November 2023

Our Ref: RFI4528

Tel: 0300 1234 500

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[REDACTED]
By Email Only

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: Request for Information – RFI4528

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:

What does Homes England do?

For each year since formation please supply me with these figures :-

What was the annual income?

Where did the income come from?

What was the expenditure & what was it spent on?

Response

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

What does Homes England do?

We can advise that requests for information should only be made if you are requesting copies of recorded information held by a public authority. Your question is not asking for any recorded information therefore the following response is made outside the legislation.

As the government's housing and regeneration agency we believe that affordable, quality homes in well-designed places are key to improving people's lives. Together with our partners, we're accelerating the

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pace of house building and regeneration across the country, as we seek to deliver homes and places people are proud to live in – for generations to come.

Homes England is an executive non-departmental public body, sponsored by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities. You can find out more about us via the below link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/homes-england/about>

You can read about our mission and our strategic objectives in our strategic plan here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homes-england-strategic-plan-2023-to-2028>

What was the annual income? Where did the income come from? What was the expenditure & what was it spent on?

We can inform you that we do hold the information that you have requested. However, we rely on section 21, exemption where information is available to the applicant elsewhere.

The full text of the legislation can be found on the following link and we have quoted section 21 below for ease.

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>

Section 21 - Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

- (a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and
- (b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.





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(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

Advice and Assistance

We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA. We can confirm that the information that falls within the scope of your request is published in our annual reports and financial statements via the below link. The link contains published annual reports for the last 5 financial years between 2019 to 2023. Please note that there is also the 2017 to 2018 annual report however this precedes when we were trading as Homes England.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/homes-englands-annual-reports-financial-statements>

For ease, the table below sets out the relevant page references which correspond to the requested information.

YEAR	FINANCIAL SUMMARY) - WHERE THE INCOME WAS DERIVED FROM	INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
22/23	54	144
21/22	48	136
20/21	46	116
19/20	30	90
18/19	28	70

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

