



Homes England

Date: 18 April 2024

Our Ref: RFI4642

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By Email Only

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: Request for Information – RFI4642

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:

- 1. What percentage of the Affordable Homes Programme 2021-26 (hereafter ‘the current AHP’) has been allocated to homes built (or under contract to be built) with Category 1 Modern Methods of Construction?**
- 2. How much money has been allocated from the current AHP to homes built (or under contract to be built) with Category 1 Modern Methods of Construction?**
- 3. How many Category 1 MMC homes will be built under the current AHP? (Could you please break this down into homes already built, under contract and planned)**

Response

We can confirm that we do hold some of the requested information. We advised on 19 March 2024 that a qualified exemption applied to the information that fell within the scope of your request and that we required further time to determine whether the public interest favoured disclosure or non-disclosure. However, we have now determined that the exemption at section 43(2) of the FOIA to withhold information that is commercial information is no longer engaged. Therefore, we were unable to issue this response within the timescale set out in the legislation. We apologise for the delay in progressing your request and for any impact this has had on you.

We will address each of your questions in turn below.

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1. What percentage of the Affordable Homes Programme 2021-26 (hereafter ‘the current AHP’) has been allocated to homes built (or under contract to be built) with Category 1 Modern Methods of Construction?

We can confirm that as of December 2023, 3.6% of all AHP 21-26 completions are for MMC Category 1.

2. How much money has been allocated from the current AHP to homes built (or under contract to be built) with Category 1 Modern Methods of Construction?

We can confirm that the total grant attributed to MMC Category 1 schemes for the AHP 21-26 programme is £20.5m as of December 2023.

3. How many Category 1 MMC homes will be built under the current AHP? (Could you please break this down into homes already built, under contract and planned)

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 Affordable Housing 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 we do not have targets either on a programme level or by provider for Category 1 MMC.

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,

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