

Date: 12 June 2024 Our Ref: RFI4759 Tel: 0300 1234 500 Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

By Email Only

Dear

RE: Request for Information – RFI4759

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:

We have been advised the Johnnie Johnson Housing Trust were investigated and subsequently downgraded by the Homes & Communities Agency (HCA) in 2014, following financial and accounting irregularities. The case was publicised at the time.

Please could you supply us with a copy of the case summary and findings or, failing that, advise where this information can be found online. A hyperlink would be very helpfu, thank you.

Response

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 Financial Due Diligence and Anti Economic Crime teams 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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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 in October 2018, the Homes & Communities Agency's (HCA) investment and regulatory functions were split off the HCA. The investment function transferred to Homes England and a new agency called the Regulator of Social Housing (RSH) was established and the regulatory function passed to them. We can confirm that this was a regulation downgrade and therefore the information is not held by Homes England.

We therefore advise that you submit a request for information to the Regulator of Social Housing via the following link: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/regulator-of-social-housing</u>.

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.

Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

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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

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