



Homes  
England

The Housing and Regeneration Agency

Date: 26 September 2024

Our Ref: RFI4873

Tel: 0300 1234 500

Email: [infogov@homesengland.gov.uk](mailto:infogov@homesengland.gov.uk)

[REDACTED]  
By Email Only

Dear [REDACTED]

**RE: Request for Information – RFI4873**

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:

I am writing to request information from the Valuation Office Agency under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 concerning the council tax banding assessment for the following properties:

[REDACTED] Thornton Curtis, Ulceby, Lincs, DN39 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Thornton Curtis, Ulceby, Lincs, DN39 [REDACTED]

Specifically, I would like to request the following information:

1. The details of the properties which were used for comparison, the dates when the bands for the properties were assessed and assigned. It is of particular importance to identify the exact properties that were used as comparables as determination is apparently based upon the age, type and architecture of each reference property.
2. Information behind why these two parts of what is essentially a single dwelling have been assessed as two separate properties for council tax purposes.
3. I also request a full disclosure of the PAD (Property Attribute Data) related to the property(s) referenced above so I may check this data for accuracy.

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## **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 Funding Enquires team and our Document Management 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 we do not hold any records for these properties. It may help you to know that Homes England are not involved with the determination of Council Tax bandings, you may wish to redirect your request to a Local Authority or the Valuation Office Agency.

## **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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