



Homes
England

Date: 19 December 2024

Our Ref: RFI4959

Tel: 0300 1234 500

Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

[REDACTED]
By Email Only

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: Request for Information – RFI4959

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. **How many outline planning applications did Homes England lodge in each calendar year between 2018 and 2024 to date?**
2. **How many full planning applications did Home England lodge in each calendar year between 2018 and 2024 to date?**

Response

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

1. **How many outline planning applications did Homes England lodge in each calendar year between 2018 and 2024 to date?**

We can confirm that we do hold the information requested. Please see the table below which contains the number of outline planning applications lodge in each requested calendar year. Please note that the planning applications listed below are broken down between outline planning or reserved matters applications. [Reserved matters refer to details of a planning application that have not been decided upon](#)

2nd Floor
The Lumen
St James Boulevard, Newcastle Helix
Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 5BZ

0300 1234 500
@HomesEngland
www.gov.uk/homes-england





Homes England

Date: 19 December 2024

Our Ref: RFI4959

Tel: 0300 1234 500

Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

[in an outline planning permission](#). Reserved matters planning applications are often submitted by our development partners and there can be multiple reserved matters for any one outline application.

	Number of Outline Planning submitted	Number of Reserved Matters Submitted
2018	36	34
2019	26	45
2020	19	29
2021	16	42
2022	19	15
2023	9	12
2024	0	17
Total	125	194

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 advise that in the past 5 years, we have been focusing on larger development schemes so there are a decrease in number of outline planning applications submitted however this is because we are submitting one planning application for a larger number of homes rather than multiple applications for a smaller number of homes. We can further advise that we have also been working on securing outline consent for applications submitted prior to the 2024 period including responding to statutory consultee comments which is the reason the 2024 outline planning application figure is zero. We are also focusing on further outline applications as well as promoting a number of strategic landholdings through various local plan reviews and calls for sites.

2. How many full planning applications did Home England lodge in each calendar year between 2018 and 2024 to date?

We can confirm that Homes England does not hold the information detailed in your request.





Homes
England

Date: 19 December 2024

Our Ref: RFI4959

Tel: 0300 1234 500

Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

To conclude that the information is not held, we have searched with our Development 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 advise that we do not record data on full planning applications on our systems. They are only broken down by either outline or reserved matters as shown above.

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

Information Governance Team
Homes England
The Lumen
2nd Floor
St James Boulevard
Newcastle Helix
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE4 5BZ
United Kingdom

2nd Floor
The Lumen
St James Boulevard, Newcastle Helix
Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 5BZ

0300 1234 500
@HomesEngland
www.gov.uk/homes-england





Homes England

Date: 19 December 2024

Our Ref: RFI4959

Tel: 0300 1234 500

Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

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

