

**FOI number:** HBC\_FOI\_20200164  
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**Department:** Planning  
**Title:** Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding  
**Description:** Acquiring plots for self-building or custom housebuilding

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

Request for information (Freedom of Information Act, alternatively Environmental Information Regulations)

As planning consultants, we are considering bringing a small site forward to provide plots for self-build/custom housebuilding and I have been directed to obtain information in this regard.

In the context of the provisions of the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended), would you please be kind enough to assist me with the following at your earliest convenience:

- With regards to the register of those who have expressed an interest in acquiring plots for their own self build or custom housebuilding, please provide the number of entries on the register (Part 1 and 2 separately) for -
  - First base period (up to 30.10.2016)
  - Second base period (up to 30.10.2017)
  - Third base period (up to 30.10.2018)
  - To date for the fourth base period
- Please confirm as to whether the Council, by 30 October 2019, have granted suitable development permission in respect of enough serviced plots of land to meet the demand for self-build and custom housebuilding arising in the first base period.
- Please provide a list of the reference numbers of the applications considered to constitute suitable development permission in respect of such serviced plots to meet the demand.
- Is it possible to provide a list of s.106 agreements associated with the 'suitable development applications' containing provisions to ensure that proposed dwellings on the consented sites/serviced plots would meet the definition of self-build or custom housebuilding?

Your kind assistance in this regard will be greatly appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any clarification.

**Request/Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)**

In the context of the provisions of the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended), would you please be kind enough to assist me with the following at your earliest convenience:

- With regards to the register of those who have expressed an interest in acquiring plots for their own self build or custom housebuilding, please provide the number of entries on the register (Part 1 and 2 separately) for –

## **Part 2**

- First base period (up to 30.10.2016) **9 applications**
- Second base period (up to 30.10.2017) **4 applications**
- Third base period (up to 30.10.2018) **24 applications**
- To date for the fourth base period **9 applications**

- Please confirm as to whether the Council, by 30 October 2019, have granted suitable development permission in respect of enough serviced plots of land to meet the demand for self-build and custom housebuilding arising in the first base period. **Yes**

- Please provide a list of the reference numbers of the applications considered to constitute suitable development permission in respect of such serviced plots to meet the demand.

### **a. Base Period 1 – 36**

14/0823/FUL, 14/1181/FUL, 14/1458/FUL, 14/1485/FUL, 14/1575/FUL, 14/1823/FUL, 14/1877/FUL, 14/2107/FUL, 14/2111/FUL, 15/0197/FUL, 15/0215/FUL, 15/0247/FUL, 15/0312/FUL, 15/0528/FUL, 15/0532/FUL, 15/0586/FUL, 15/0963/HSE, 15/1042/FUL, 15/1273/FUL, 15/1454/FUL, 15/1542/FUL, 15/1543/FUL, 15/1632/FUL, 15/1787/FUL, 15/1888/FUL, 15/1894/FUL, 15/1917/FUL, 15/1978/FUL, 16/0258/FUL, 16/0265/FUL, 16/0300/FUL, 16/0569/FUL, 16/0811/FUL, 16/0915/FUL, 16/1223/FUL, 16/1293/FUL

### **b. Base Period 2 - 20**

14/1923/FUL, 15/0430/FUL, 16/0068/FUL, 16/0070/FUL, 16/1026/FUL, 16/1481/FUL, 16/1756/FUL, 16/2196/FUL, 16/2203/FUL, 16/2325/FUL, 16/2372/VOC, 16/2422/FUL, 16/2467/FUL, 16/2481/FUL, 17/0195/FUL, 17/0292/FUL, 17/0310/VOC, 17/0822/FUL, 17/0909/FUL, 17/1137/FUL

### **c. Base Period 3 – 32**

14/1813/HSE, 15/1140/FUL, 15/1237/FUL, 16/0592/FUL, 16/1062/FUL, 16/1413/FUL, 17/0247/FUL, 17/0545/FUL, 17/0946/VOC, 17/1297/FUL, 17/1450/VOC, 17/1624/FUL, 17/1638/FUL, 17/1674/FUL, 17/1705/FUL, 17/1711/VOC, 17/1849/FUL, 17/2044/FUL, 17/2140/FUL, 17/2156/FUL, 17/2221/FUL, 17/2267/FUL, 17/2271/FUL, 17/2361/FUL, 17/2429/HSE, 18/0053/VOC, 18/0079/FUL, 18/0100/FUL, 18/0265/FUL, 18/0416/FUL, 18/0580/VOC, 18/1380/VOC

### **d. Base Period 4 - 25**

16/1571/VOC, 18/0079/FUL, 18/1285/FUL, 18/1634/FUL, 18/1679/FUL, 18/1716/FUL, 18/1909/VOC, 18/2172/FUL, 18/2176/VOC, 18/2245/FUL, 18/2250/FUL, 18/2390/FUL, 19/0048/FUL, 19/0108/FUL, 19/0165/FUL, 19/0278/FUL, 19/0322/FUL, 19/0570/FUL, 19/0738/FUL, 19/0771/FUL, 19/0849/FUL, 19/0935/VOC, 19/1025/FUL, 19/1058/FUL, 19/1278/FUL

- Is it possible to provide a list of s.106 agreements associated with the 'suitable development applications' containing provisions to ensure that proposed dwellings on the consented sites/serviced plots would meet the definition of self-build or custom housebuilding?

**The Council** does not currently have a list of S106 agreements that are in association with the suitable development application provisions on consented site/serviced plots to meet the demand of the self-build or custom housebuilding as our demand is currently met through individual planning permissions that do not require a S106 agreement. As part of the new Local Plan there may be requirements that developers have to provide a certain amount of these plots and then S106 agreements for this may follow accordingly.

If you have any queries about the processing of your request then please do not hesitate to contact me. Further information explaining the Council's process for responding to information requests together with a complaints/appeals procedure is available in our reception or via our website at:

<https://www.hertsmere.gov.uk/Your-Council/Official-Publications--Guides--Policies/Access-to-Information.aspx>

The Information Commissioner oversees the application of the Freedom of Information Act. You may contact the Information Commissioner at:

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Please include the above reference number on all correspondence related to this request.

Thank you for your request.

Kind regards

Information Services