

**FOI number:** HBC\_FOI\_20200066  
**Date FOI Received:** 24/01/2020  
**Department:** Housing  
**Title:** Sage Housing and Section 106 Affordable Housing  
**Description:** Purchase of Section 106 Affordable Housing by Sage Housing

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

Dear Hertsmere Borough Council,

I write to you in order to request the information set out below. My request is pursuant to the FOIA.

The information requested relates to the purchase of Section 106 affordable housing units in the local authority area by the company Sage Housing over the last three years.

The information I seek is:

- 1) the number of applications made by Sage Housing to acquire Section 106 affordable housing units in each calendar year of 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.
- 2) the planning reference number that each application applies to
- 3) For each development in which Sage Housing has acquired Section 106 units between 01/01/2017 and 24/01/2020:
  - i) The name of the development
  - ii) The planning reference number
  - iii) The address of the development
  - iv) The postcode(s) of the development
  - v) The number of affordable units in the development
  - vi) The housing tenure mix (e.g social rent, affordable rent, shared ownership)
  - vii) The decision date (date/month/year)
  - viii) The date until when the units are contracted with Sage Housing to stay affordable (date/month/year)
  - ix) The price paid by Sage Housing to acquire the development (if known)
  - x) For rental units, if the council has nomination rights to the first lets, what percentage of units will the council have nomination rights for on subsequent lets?
  - xi) List any requests made by Sage Housing to alter or amend the original Section 106 agreement and whether the council agreed to these.
  - xii) Whether the development is a completed or a forthcoming ("starts on site") development
- 4) For each development please attach the viability assessment
- 5) For each unit acquired by Sage Housing:
  - i) The name of the unit's development
  - ii) The unit's address
  - iii) The price paid by Sage Housing to acquire the unit (if known)
  - iv) The Land Registry title number

Please provide the information in an excel or CSV format, with the questions and sub-questions as column headings.

If you need clarification please contact me at this email address. Under your section 16 duty to provide advice and assistance I would expect you to contact me if you find this request unmanageable in any way before the 20th working day.

I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours faithfully,

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

No applications have been made by Sage Housing to acquire s106 affordable units in the Borough of Hertsmere.

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>

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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