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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1034

I write further to your email dated 04 December 2019.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, explained on our <u>freedom of information</u> page.

Your request:

I'm currently researching the social housing sector including affordable homes for Focal Research and hope you can help in providing non-personal information that is in line with GDPR. The information relates to affordable housing development and newbuilds that could not be found in the housing returns data.

Would you please be able to tell me if your council has built any new social housing buildings in the year 2018/19. If so could you tell me how many. Also if possible the number of affordable houses to be built from 2019-20 to 2022-23.

If affordable houses are built by your Council's development company or an external development company, how many new houses were built and completed in 2018/2019 and how many affordable newbuilds are planned for completion over the 4-year period 2019/20-2022/23?

Please can you provide the names of the development companies employed for newbuild development (whether owned by your Council or not) and the names and location of those in the work roles involved specifically in housing Development Manager, Construction Manager, Principal Surveyor and Procurement Manager.

You clarified:

A development company is set up by the Council to build and develop new housing. I don't think you have one and just use contractors as most Councils do. In your case I would be grateful to just have the social housing newbuild figures that the Council has had built for 2018/19 and those for any future builds planned for 2019-23.

Our response:

Our actual and forecast delivery of new council housing is as below

18/19 – 20 direct delivery - 19 planning gain
19/20 – 24 direct delivery - 2 planning gain
20/21 – 8 direct delivery - 7 planning gain

21/22 – 28 direct delivery 22/23 – 30 direct delivery

For avoidance of confusion and to try and ensure that figures tally with other data sources I have also included the new units that we have acquired from developers as a result of section 106 agreements.

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