



REFUSAL NOTICE
For request for information under the
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000
ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004

Request Number	FOI/2009/666
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Date of Enquiry:	31 July 2009
Deadline:	28 August 2009

Details of request:
 Can you please let me know the following relating to planning applications featuring a change of use from A1 (shop), under the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987. In the last 5 years:

- 1) How many planning applications have you received featuring a change of use from A1?
- 2) Of those applications in 1, how many of these were retrospective?
- 3) How many planning applications have you received from Starbucks (or their representatives) featuring a change of use from A1?
- 4) Of those applications in 3, how many of these were retrospective?

Exemptions Applied
 Questions 1 and 2
 The Appropriate Limit
 The Freedom of Information Act 2000 allows an authority to refuse a request if it will cost more than £450 (this is calculated as 18 hours @ £25) to research, locate and process the information requested.

Reason(s) For Refusal:
 The Council cannot comply with this request within the Appropriate Limit as the information requested is only contained on each individual planning file.

Appeals/Complaints Procedure
 If you wish to appeal about information the Council has not released to you please let us know in writing stating clearly what the issue is. We will reconsider your request and if it is agreed that the information should have been disclosed, we will do so.



If you wish to complain about the way your request was handled by the Council, please complete and return our Complaints Form (available from our Offices, Council Information Points and on our website) and we will endeavour to resolve any problems. If we are unable to do this informally we will apply the Council's Complaints Procedure.

If you are unhappy with the result of your appeal or complaint you can ask the Information Commissioner to consider your case. Please see contact details below.

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Mendip District Council

Date 25 August 2009