

Ms Hannah Jewell

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> FOI Reference: 9411589 Email: foi@rbkc.gov.uk Date: 3 February 2023

Dear Ms Jewell

## Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your recent request to the Council. You asked to be provided with the following information:

I would like information about your council's planning in relation to climate action for the Council Climate Action Scorecards. This information is most likely to be held by a planning officer or similar.

In particular, please supply me with information relating to the following questions:

- a. Has the Council approved any new \*1 or expanded \*2 roads or road junctions in its area from 1st January 2019 until 1st January 2023? Please list which ones were accepted.
- \*1 The intention of this question is to understand overall increases in road capacity, rather than recent housing developments. Please exclude minor roads built exclusively to connect new housing to the pre-existing road network.
- \*2 An expanded road or road junction is one that has increased capacity for motor vehicle traffic, not counting bus lanes, cycle infrastructure, or pedestrian infrastructure. Please include roads and junctions where new lanes have been added.
- b. Has the council approved any new or expanded airport runways, terminals, measures to increase passenger numbers or other planning proposals that expand airport capacity in its area since 1st January 2019 until 1st January 2023? Please list which ones were accepted.
- c. Has the Council approved any planning applications for fossil fuel extraction projects proposed in its area since 1st January 2019 until 1st January 2023?

Please list which ones were accepted, including where relevant fossil fuel projects that were later 'called in' by central government.

By fossil fuel extraction projects we mean: any oil wells and fields (on or offshore), coal mines, fracking and shale gas, gas, natural (including liquified) gas (on or off shore) plants, and unabated fossil fuel generation and power plants well as related infrastructure such as pipelines and terminals for the fossil fuels.

## Response

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Royal Borough Kensington and Chelsea. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you.

In particular, please supply me with information relating to the following questions:

- a. Has the Council approved any new \*1 or expanded \*2 roads or road junctions in its area from 1st January 2019 until 1st January 2023? Please list which ones were accepted. Zero
- \*1 The intention of this question is to understand overall increases in road capacity, rather than recent housing developments. Please exclude minor roads built exclusively to connect new housing to the pre-existing road network.
- \*2 An expanded road or road junction is one that has increased capacity for motor vehicle traffic, not counting bus lanes, cycle infrastructure, or pedestrian infrastructure. Please include roads and junctions where new lanes have been added.
- b. Has the council approved any new or expanded airport runways, terminals, measures to increase passenger numbers or other planning proposals that expand airport capacity in its area since 1st January 2019 until 1st January 2023? Please list which ones were accepted. No
- c. Has the Council approved any planning applications for fossil fuel extraction projects proposed in its area since 1st January 2019 until 1st January 2023?

  No

Please quote the reference number 9411589 in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Information Management Team
The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea
The Town Hall, Hornton Street, London W8 7NX

Email: @ Wuk
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If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113 Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

**Information Management Team**