



Oil & Gas Authority

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Benjamin Dean

By email to: request-441596-2cdbcee6@whatdotheyknow.com

Our ref: FOI-2017-0071

27 November 2017

Dear Mr Dean,

Thank you for your email of 29 October 2017 in which you requested:

“Dear Oil and Gas Authority,

Please treat this email as a request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, alternatively the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please confirm the date that the initial Field Development Plan for PL080 was agreed.

Please also provide all the date/s on which all subsequent Field Development Plan Addendums were agreed.

Please include in your reply copies of all Field Development Plans and Field Development Plan Addendums that are six years or older which your policy states will be made public information.”

We have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (**FOIA**) and, where relevant, the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (**EIRs**).

I will address each of your questions in turn.

Question 1

Please confirm the date that the initial Field Development Plan for PL080 was agreed.



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Field development plans are approved by the Oil & Gas Authority for a hydrocarbon accumulation, or group of hydrocarbon accumulations, which can extend across multiple petroleum licences.

There are two fields on PL080, Kirby Misperton and Malton. There are 4 previous development plans for these fields in the public domain on UKOGL - <https://ukogl.org.uk/industry-reports/>

An additional FDP Addendum which covers PL080 was received on 24 May 2013. It will be released after 6 years, on 24 May 2019 on the UKOGL website.

Question 2

Please also provide all the date/s on which all subsequent Field Development Plan Addendums were agreed.

The latest FDP Addendum was agreed on 29th April 2014.

Question 3

Please include in your reply copies of all Field Development Plans and Field Development Plan Addendums that are six years or older which your policy states will be made public information.

All Field Development Plans and Field Development Plan Addendums older than 6 years have already been released in the public domain, and can be viewed on the United Kingdom Onshore Geophysical Library (UKOGL) website, under "Industry Activity Reports" using the following link: www.ukogl.org.uk

As such this information is exempt under section 21 FOIA. Section 21 provides that information which is accessible to an applicant, via other means, is exempt from disclosure. Section 21 is an absolute exemption and as such, no consideration of the public interest is necessary.

This concludes the OGA's consideration of your request.



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Appeals procedure

If you are unhappy with the way the OGA has handled your request, you may request an internal review. A request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of receipt of the response to your request and should be addressed to:

FOI Manager
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Email: foirequests@ogauthority.co.uk

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications with regard to this request.

If you are unhappy with the outcome of the internal review, you may contact the Information Commissioner at www.ico.org.uk or at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer