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Our ref: 7880833 **Your ref**: **Date**: 7 August 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Your request for information and the Council's response are set out below:

Note: This request does not relate to social housing stock

- 1) A list of building, land and heritage assets disposed of (i.e. the council no longer owned the asset) by the council between 2014/2015 and the date on which you received this request, including:
- Name of the asset
- What type of asset is it building, land or heritage?
- Address (if applicable)
- Postcode (if applicable)
- UPRN (if possible)
- The date it was disposed of
- The type of disposal (for example sale, community asset transfer, etc)
- The valuation of the asset at the point it was classified as an asset held for sale (both lower amount and fair value less, if possible)
- How much it was sold for? (if applicable)
- Who it was sold to?
- How it was disposed of (open market, auction, etc) This information will not be provided. See Note 1 below.
- 2) A list of building, land and heritage assets acquired by the council between 2014/2015 and the date on which you received this request, including:
- Name of the asset
- What type of asset is it building, land or heritage?
- Address
- Postcode
- UPRN (if possible)
- The date it was acquired
- Who was it acquired from?
- How much did it cost?
- Is it now classed as an investment property? This information will not be provided. See note 2
- 3) How many land, building and heritage assets did the council have as of
- a) the beginning of 2014/15 This information will not be provided. See note 2 below.
- b) the date on which you received this request Please see attached spreadsheet. The information provided has been extracted from the Council's asset register and is the best information available but cannot be guaranteed as being 100% accurate.

Note 1

This information will not be provided. There is no central record of council land or assets sold and no system report capable of extracting it. Whilst the Council is not generally a seller of assets and the number of assets sold would be small, to obtain this information would require all teams and services

across the Council manually checking their records. Therefore, it is considered that the cost of locating and retrieving the information requested would exceed the "appropriate limit" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

Note 2

See attached list of assets currently held. Our data base does not hold the acquisition date nor details of who the asset was purchased from. Whilst we are unable to retrospectively provide the information requested as at the beginning of 2014/15, we can say from officer knowledge that the number of assets held has not significantly changed between the two points in time stated. As stated above the Council is not generally a seller of assets.

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:

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Further information is also available from the Information Commissioner at:

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Yours faithfully

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