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Dear Mr Moss

Re: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Following on from your request of the 26th February and the clarification provided (by email) on the 10th March 2016, I have considered your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000). I can confirm that we do hold some of the information you have requested. The document requested is currently being drafted, and will not become policy until approved by the Housing sub-committee, at which point the council intends to publish a Decant Policy for tenants and a separate Decant Policy for freeholders and leaseholders - taking account of the different tenure needs.

As part of our governance process we will be consulting with stakeholders via recognised consultation forums. We anticipate the document being discussed at the September, Housing sub-committee.

Therefore please accept this as a **Refusal Notice** under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) – i.e. information being requested is intended for future publication and refer you to the exemptions as detailed under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Furthermore, I am unable to provide you with notes, any information held, e-mails and other electronic records, including printed or handwritten notes, relating to the Decant Policy, as these do not exist independent of the documents currently being drafted. The only notes pertaining to this document are written into the draft document.

Further information about the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available from the Information Commissioner at:

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http://www.kingston.gov.uk/info/200278/freedom_of_information/716/form_make_a_freedom_of_information_foi_request

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fidelis Linehan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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