

Our Ref FOI – 20180807-00077-1

Date: 16/8/2018

Dear Ms Barton

Regarding your recent request for an Internal Review of a response you have received under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Here are the details of the response to which you are dissatisfied:-

Your request dated: 14/5/2018

**Can you tell me why the Rapid HIA was only put onto the planning portal well after the planning application was passed?**

Your request for a review was received on 7/8/2018 and stated:

**Please pass this on to the person who conducts Freedom of Information reviews.**

**I am writing to request an internal review of St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council's handling of my FOI request 'Health impact assessment for Florida Farm North'.**

**I asked a question and have not received a reply from May of this year despite repeating the request for answers. Please see below from the 14th May 2008. I look forward to your timely reply.**

**Re: 20180514-00154-1 I have not received a response from the 14/05/2018.**

**My question was: Dear St. Helens Council, Dear Ms. Hale, thank you for your response. Can you tell me why the Rapid HIA was only put onto the planning portal well after the planning application was passed? With it only going onto the portal after planning was passed then the public ( and may have included the planning committee) did not have time to look at it and if appropriate challenge it's findings and or challenge that a comprehensive Health Impact assessment should have been carried out? Yours sincerely,  
Janet Barton**

The purpose of the Internal Review process is to ensure that the response issued complies with Freedom of Information legislation and the requester has received all of the information they are entitled to in response to their request. The process does not look in to any matters associated with a particular Service.

It appears that no response has been sent to this particular request, however as advised on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018:

the Act only covers recorded information held by a public authority, an authority does not have create new information or give an opinion/judgment that is not already recorded.

Your request is not for information held by the Authority but for information relating to the Service, therefore it cannot be treated as a Freedom of Information request.

This response deals solely with your requests in relation to the Freedom of Information Act.



## St.Helens Council

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If you remain dissatisfied with the response, you have the right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Regards

Andy Paton  
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