

Date: 06/01/2021

Ref: CAM883

Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information dated 09/12/2020 about Right To Buy (RTB) Sales & Valuations. We have dealt with this under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Response

The council holds the information requested. However we are withholding some of the information because it is excepted. The answers to your questions are below. We have stated where we are withholding information and what exceptions apply. Please see the refusal notices at the end of the answers which explain how and why the exceptions apply.

I would like the latest list of all Right To Buy (RTB) Sales & Valuations from as far back as possible up till today (especially incl. from March 20 up till now - but earlier as well if possible), as well as also, a current full Camden Council Housing stock inventory of all current council homes / properties.

For the avoidance of doubt, this should ideally include:

- All and every appropriate and relevant Camden RTB recorded Sale and Valuation recorded over the submitted period. With each sale and valuation classified by the type of home (e.g. House or Flat), Number of bedrooms in the home, Post Code / District (is also key).**
- A list / inventory of all / every Camden Council Home in Camden's current stock homes. Again this list should be classified by the type of home (e.g. House or Flat), Number of bedrooms in the home, Post Code / District.**

If only, in the case that you CANNOT include everything as stipulated above, then at the very least I would still like all of the above information incl. again for the longest time period possible incl. from March 20 till now, BUT this can be only for all 3 PLUS BED Council - homes and flats (including RTB); if further needs be, this can also be limited to just the Camden Town And Primrose Hill Ward (this is key).

I note a a very similar recent request (8th Dec'20) from another inquisitor and Camden's reply to that request with referral for him to a previous Camden Council submission of data (incl. Cam213); see both links below. But please note: that referred to data - already provided by Camden for this and others similar FOIs and their replies all available on Camden's OpenData interface - from what I can see, either only show data for valuations and sales of homes/flats that do not cover the full period I need, and / or, also, they only relate to 1 or 2 bed FLATS and not to 3 plus bed HOMES as well; which I also need and am most focused on!

https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/rtb_valuations#outgoing-1091056

https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/rtb_valuations#incoming-1688297

This request is being refused under an exception in the EIR 2004 regulations. See the refusal notice below.

Refusal Notice

Regulation 12(4)(c) - Under the EIR 2004 the exception under regulation 12(4)(c) applies. The regulation states: Regulation 12(4)(c) allows a public authority to refuse to disclose environmental information if a request has been expressed in too general a manner and the authority has provided advice and assistance to the requester in accordance with regulation 9.

Advice and Assistance:

As advice and assistance, please could you rephrase the request specifying exact questions and the specific time period that you want information from. As further advice, we recommend you look on the Council's Open Data Portal (see below) for previous FOI responses where the information you require may already have been published. This is much more extensive than what is published on the "Whatdotheyknow" website.

Further Information:

We do not give our consent for any names and contact details provided in this response to be sent marketing material. Any such use will be reported to the ICO as a breach of General Data Protection Regulations and the Privacy and Electronic Communication Regulations.

Why not check our Portal [Open Data Camden](#) before making a new request as your question may already be answered by a previous [FOI response](#) or in one of our many useful and interesting datasets.

Your Rights

If you are not happy with how your response was handled you can request an Internal Review within 2 months of this letter by email to foireviews@camden.gov.uk or post: Information and Records Management Team, London Borough of Camden, Town Hall, Judd Street, London WC1H 9JE. Please quote your case reference number. If you are not satisfied with the Internal Review outcome you can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office at casework@ico.org.uk telephone 0303 123 1113, or post to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. The ICO website www.ico.org.uk may be useful.

Yours sincerely

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