



21st September 2022
Our ref: IRN12659537

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

This request is being handled under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Your request

Please supply a copy of the Planning Contravention Notice issued in connection with case 22/00421/3COU

Our response

I can confirm that Lambeth Council holds the information you requested. However we are withholding that information since we consider that the following exceptions apply to it.

The information requested is exempt from disclosure under Regulation 12(5)(b) of the Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs). Disclosure would prejudice, or would be likely to prejudice the course of justice, the ability of a person to receive a fair trial or the ability of a public authority to conduct an inquiry of a criminal or disciplinary nature

To use this exception we are required to undertake a public interest test. The matters which were considered in applying the public interest test are as follows:

Factors in favour of disclosure

We also consider that disclosure would increase the public's understanding of this issue and we note the general benefit in transparency where possible.

Factors in favour of withholding

It is not in the public interest to provide information if to do so means that the Council cannot effectively investigate an issue.

It is considered that the greater public interest therefore lies in not providing the information at this time. In coming to that conclusion, the public interest in providing the information has been carefully weighed against any prejudice to the public interest that might arise from withholding the information; in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under regulation 14 of the Environmental Information Regulations.

Right to review

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which your Freedom of Information request has been dealt with you can request an internal review. Tell us why you are unhappy with our response within 40 working days, and it will be looked at afresh. We will aim to provide you with our review response within 20 working days.

By email: foi@lambeth.gov.uk (Please quote the reference number above) or by writing to:

London Borough of Lambeth
Freedom of Information
P.O. Box 734
Winchester
S023 5DG

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the review you have a further right to appeal to the Information Commissioner, who regulates the implementation of the Freedom of Information Act. The Commissioner can be contacted at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF.
Telephone: 0330 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

We would like to hear your views on our service. If you'd like to tell us how we did, you can complete our feedback form online at <http://www.yourwebsite.co.uk/foifeedback>

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

Complaints and Information Officer
Corporate Complaints Unit

London Borough of Lambeth

Enabling

Team Tel: 020 7926 0547

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