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Mr Paul Burnham

Date: 12 March 2020

Dear Mr Burnham

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - 6007013

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 9 March 2020.

You requested: "Thank you for your reply. However this was not the information that I requested.

I asked for details of New Build social dwellings, but the reply relates to all First lets, stating that

'First lets are defined as first let of new build, conversion, rehabilitation or acquired property'.

The economics of New Builds are quite specific and can be very different from conversions, rehabilitations or acquisitions - for example the imputed market value may well be higher.

I would be grateful if you could reply in respect of New Builds only.".

This request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

The Department provided information on 'First Lets' as per the definition given as this includes new builds alongside acquisitions, rehabilitations and conversions. The Department does not hold information at a more granular level to identify new builds only.

Complaints procedure

If you are unhappy with this response, we will review it and report back to you. (This is called an internal review.) If you want us to do this, let us know by return email within two months of receiving this response. You can also ask by letter addressed to:

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If you are unhappy with the outcome of this internal review, you can ask the independent Information Commissioner to investigate. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at email address casewo@.llor.use.their online form at ico.org.uk/concerns or call them on 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely

MHCLG FOI Team