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Date: **2 April 2019**

Dear Mr Pierre

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - 4141734

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 21 March 2019 and processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your request was: *"I would like to know the the criteria you set local authority's to follow when assessing eligibility for right to buy applications. Are these statutory guidelines or legislation ?"*.

I can confirm that we hold this information, but I am withholding it as explained below.

This information is exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the FOI Act as it is reasonably accessible to you by other means.

The requirements of the Right to Buy scheme, including eligibility criteria, are set out in legislation in Part V of the Housing Act 1985, as amended. The Act is available online at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1985/68/contents>.

In addition, this Department has published guidance for local authorities on the Right to Buy process, which is available on the Government's website at: <https://righttobuy.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/RTB-guide-for-local-authorities-April-2018.pdf>.

I hope this information is helpful.

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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Yours sincerely

MHCLG FOI Team