## **Shared Service Centre Feedback and Information Governance**

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Hilary Adams Date: 09 May 2017

Our ref: LBH/6175117

Dear Ms Adams,

Freedom of Information Request, our reference: LBH/6175117

Thank you for your request for information dated 06 April 2017 in which you asked for the following:

- 1. Please supply details of all section 106 requirements and wiavers made towards Tottenham Hotspur FC and any of their subisdiaries since 2011.
- 2. Please supply copy of the Grant Thornton Assessment of viablity in relation to any spurs development.
- 3. Please supply details of all affordable and social housing provision made by the club to Haringey council since 2011.
- 4. Please supply details of all direct material benefits supplied by the club to Haringey council that benefit the public since 2011.

Our response is as follows:

- 1. Please see attached
- 2. Please see attached.

Please note we have redacted parts of the report. As we consider that full disclosure of this report is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of Tottenham Hotspur Football Club (THFC) and Haringey Council and is consequently exempt under Section 43 (2) of the Act. Section 43 (2) of the Act allows us to withhold information if to provide it would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person and it is in the public interest to withhold the information. We think that to disclose the full document, would prejudice the commercial interests of the THFC. We do not believe it would be in the public interest for this information to be placed in the public domain as it may affect any future commercial negotiations relating to delivering the proposed Northumberland Development Project.

This is a qualified exception and therefore subject to the public interest test.

The public interest arguments for releasing this information are as follows:

- To encourage transparency in the Council's decision making processes
- To allow transparency of decisions on how public funds are managed
  - To inform public debate on the particular issue to which the information relates

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The public interest arguments for withholding the information are as follows:

- The information relates to the Northumberland Development Project and release of this information would be prejudicial to the financial interests of both the Council and THFC.
- Release of information would reduce the ability of both the Council and Tottenham Hotspur Football Club (THFC) to participate competitively in commercial activities and increase the cost to the Council and THFC in undertaking such projects.
- Release of information would have a detrimental impact on the Council's ability to obtain value for money and affect any future commercial negotiations relating to delivering the proposed Northumberland Development Project.
- There is plenty of information about this Development Project already in the public arena and also on our website: <a href="http://www.haringey.gov.uk/index/housing\_and\_planning/planning-mainpage/strategicphysicalregeneration/ndp.htm">http://www.haringey.gov.uk/index/housing\_and\_planning/planning-mainpage/strategicphysicalregeneration/ndp.htm</a>

It is considered that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

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We do not hold this information as requested. There is no record of housing provision made directly by Tottenham Hotspurs to Haringey Council as yet. The club have had some involvement in the provision of housing at two developments, Brook House and 500 White Hart Lane, and there are Committee reports available on our website about those.

Similarly we do not have a record of 'direct material benefits' supplied by the club to Haringey Council. If you could be more explicit we may be able to consider this further.

This letter is a part refusal notice as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

If you are unhappy with how we have responded to your request you can ask us to conduct an Internal Review. If so, please contact the Feedback and Information Team as below. (Please note you should do this within two months of receiving this response.)

You may also complain to the Information Commissioner's office, who may be able to help you. However they would normally expect the local authority to have undertaken a complaint investigation or Internal Review of the request before they will accept the referral.

You can contact the Commissioner at:

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Yours sincerely

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