



Homes
England

Date: 4 December 2020
Our Ref: RFI3159
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Mr M Dean
By Email Only

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Dear Mr Dean

RE: Request for Information – RFI3159

Thank you for your request for information which we are processing in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

For clarification, you requested the following information:

- 1. The amount loaned to Sterling Park Developments Charge No: 1237 0389 0001.*
- 2. A copy of all emails between yourselves and Sterling Park Developments.*

Extension to consider the public interest test

We wrote to you on 6 November 2020 to inform you that we did hold information that fell within the scope of your request, but that a qualified exemption (S43(2)) applied to that information. We advised that we required further time to consider the balance of the public interest in release of the information that fell under this exemption.

Section 10(3) of the FOIA enables a public authority to extend the 20 working day response limit up to a 'reasonable' time where it requires more time to determine the public interest.

In our previous letter of 6 November we estimated that we required an additional 20 working days to take a decision on where the balance of the public interest lies and that we would keep you informed if the decision would take longer.

We currently estimate that it will take a further 20 working days to reach our decision of where the public interest lies. Therefore, we hope to issue our response by 6 January 2020.

Right to Appeal

If you are not happy with the information that has been provided or the way in which your request has been handled you may request an internal review by writing to;

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You may also complain to the Information Commissioner however, the Information Commissioner does usually expect the internal review procedure to be exhausted in the first instance.

The Information Commissioner's details can be found via the following link

<https://ico.org.uk/>

Please note that the contents of your request and this response are also subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Homes England may be required to disclose your request and our response accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

The Information Governance Team

For Homes England