

**Enquiries to:** Information Team  
**Our Ref:** FOI483266

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**Liverpool  
City Council**

Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Request 483266**

Thank you for your recent request received 11 June 2019. Your request was actioned under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in which you requested the following information –

1/ a

*Did in the past 12 months, any of these reporters ever put in any FOI's into the dealing of:*

*Gary Howard*

*Lin Mari group*

*Fox street village developments*

*Primesite – Kerry Tomlinson and his involvement into fox street village*

1/ b

*Why is there still an outstanding fee of close to £987,000, due to the city of Liverpool council from this project?*

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*Has the city of Liverpool council received any requests from any reporter into this nightmare of 'Fox street village' or asked your office and planning officers for any and all records going back to 2016?*

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*Can the city of Liverpool council show any incoming e-mails from this local newspaper that could prove the paper was indeed investigating fox street village.*

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*Why has the underground 160 car park gone missing from this project and is there full planning permission from 2016 on all the building A, B, C, D, how could an underground 160 car park just go missing and the Liverpool echo could not find it or even too lazy to ask your office or told not to ask? The planning officers, and they also had missed the £900,000 due to the Liverpool city council.*

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*Will the city of Liverpool supply all details as to why Block A is now a hotel and in the planning was this down as student accommodation?*

*Please see the FOI reply from MFRS.*

*"Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service conducted an audit of Block A on 20.07.18 and discovered that it was being used as a hotel. An enforcement notice (EM/MERS/397) was issued thereafter. The notice was complied with and so it was withdrawn".*

*Will the Council supply the following information on Block A.*

*[a] In total since Block [A] has been completed how many flats or persons are paying*

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*council tax and was Block [A] down in the planning application as only “Student accommodation” and not as a hotel and why did Liam Thorp, blank this intelligence or pass it over to another reporter, Has Liam Thorp a “conflict of interest” due to his relationship with “Danial Hughes and Hughes PR?”*

**Response:**

Liverpool City Council would advise as follows –

1. a). Journalists and representatives of Reach PLC and media organisations have made various information requests to the City Council on a range of subjects, the information and responses to which form the basis of media article and as such are in the public domain. We would therefore refer you to the Liverpool Echo website.
- b). It is a matter for the developer concerned to pay the relevant fees associated with the Section 106 Legal Agreement in order to satisfy the requirements associated with any grant of planning permission. The City Council engages with developers to remind them of their relevant obligations made under Section 106 Legal Agreements.
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4. Information relating to planning applications and permissions, including how each development may have been amended, is already in the public domain and reasonably accessible to you. As such and in accordance with the application of Section 21 Freedom of Information Act 2000 we would refer you to the planning explorer facility on our website at – <https://liverpool.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/>
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This concludes our response.

The City Council will consider appeals, referrals or complaints in respect of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 and you must submit these in writing to [Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk) within 28 days of receiving your response. The matter will be dealt with by an officer who was not previously involved with the response and we will look to provide a response within 40 days.

If you remain dissatisfied you may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision about whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with

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the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner's website is [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk) and the postal address and telephone numbers are:- Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Telephone: 0303-123-113. Email – [mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk) (they advise that their email is not secure)

I trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely  
**Information Team**