

FOI Request NCC-028140-17 Property structure -voids

Dear Sir/Madam,

Can I kindly request a corporate structure chart for the Estates team at the Council, together with a list of void commercial and residential properties?

Kind regards,

Further to your recent Freedom Of Information request, Nottingham County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR,s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link) <http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

This has links to all structures and contacts including our properties team and also highlights our property portfolio.

You can use the search facility using keywords.

I am afraid the second part of your request cannot be provided in relation to void properties. Identifying our void properties in any way is a huge risk and an invitation to “abuse” in all its guises , including but not limited to squatting, vandalism, theft and break in etc. As such would be exempt under sec 43. (2) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).

(3) The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would, or would be likely to, prejudice the interests mentioned in subsection (2).

This is a qualified exemption by the public interest test. Having applied the public interest test, we consider any release of information that may identify a void property in the public domain outweighs the public need of identification.

I hope this does not cause you any inconvenience but satisfies your request, partially. Should you have any further enquiry please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or email complaints@nottscc.gov.uk.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Council. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Kindest Regards