

Request for Information: Ref NCC-031395-18 Void Properties

Freedom of Information request - Empty commercial properties

Dear Nottinghamshire County Council,

Please can you provide me with:

(a) addresses and rateable values of empty Commercial properties that are within your Council area identifying which are owned by the council or other public body and which are privately owned. and

(b) the names (and addresses) of the owners of those properties referred to in (a) and

(c) the date each property became vacant

If this could be supplied in a csv (spreadsheet) format this would certainly be appreciated.

Thank you

Yours faithfully,

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your request for information relating to Void Properties.

I am writing to explain that we have applied an exemption to the information you have requested Part B is exempt under the act :

Section 40(2) – personal information

(2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—

(a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and (b) either the first or the second condition below is satisfied.

The section 40 exemption is absolute and is not subject to the public interest test.

In this instance, the relevant condition that applies is section 40(2) whereby the information is defined as personal data within Section 1(1)(a) of the Data Protection Act 1998.

The exemption we have applied for Part A and C is 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 and requires us to consider the public interest test. This means that before a final decision is taken about whether to withhold the information we must balance the public interest in withholding it against the public interest in disclosure.

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.

We apologise if this has caused you any inconvenience and hope we are able to help with any future requests of other nature/s in the future.

Please contact me if you have any queries at all.

Yours sincerely