



My Ref: FOI4794
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

Please provide a list of housing developments in the area covered by Barnsley Borough Council that have experienced delays in completion during the period 1 January 2020 to 31st July 2025.

For each delayed development, please provide the following:

- **Name and/or address/location of the development**
- **Planning application reference number**
- **Originally expected completion date**
- **Actual or most recent known completion date (if completed or ongoing)**
- **Status (e.g. not started, in progress, paused, abandoned, completed late)**
- **Any available reason(s) recorded for the delay**

After considering your request I have decided to refuse it under Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act. This is because it is estimated that the time taken to provide the information would exceed the appropriate limit of £450, equivalent to 18 hours of staff time.

Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act is a provision which allows a public authority to refuse to comply with the request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed a set limit known as the appropriate limit.

The Council receives approximately 1,314 planning applications per year. Over the period covered by your enquiry, this equates to nearly 6,000 applications. Each would need to be reviewed to determine relevance, followed by further analysis of those identified as pertinent. Given the level of detail requested, it is estimated that reviewing each application would take more than five minutes, particularly where information must be obtained directly from developers. This would amount to approximately 50 hours of work.

However, some of the information you have requested is publicly available via our Planning Portal, which may assist in addressing your enquiry.

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/planning-and-buildings/using-planning-explorer/>

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Information Requests Via email.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

Barnsley MBC
Information Requests Team
PO Box 634
Barnsley
S70 9GG
email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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