



29 October 2015

INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE 15-062

Dear 

Thank you for your information request, received on 21 September 2015. You asked the London Legacy Development Corporation (Legacy Corporation) to provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

“Please supply me with a copy of a map showing:

- 1. the exact boundary of the Olympic Park;*
- 2. the areas owned by different landowners in the Park, e.g. the LLDC, the LVRPA, Hackney Council, etc.;*
- 3. the areas of common land.”*

On 15 October, the Legacy Corporation emailed you to confirm that we held information relevant to your request, however the application of a qualified exemption was being considered and we required additional time to consider the public interest test. The revised due date was extended to 16 November at the latest.

The Legacy Corporation response following your order:

“Please supply me with a copy of a map showing (1) the exact boundary of the Olympic Park;

In relation to your first request, the Legacy Corporation do not hold the information you have requested. According to our legal advisors, while there is an area that is known and managed as a whole as Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park (Park), the Park is not a legally defined entity and therefore we do not hold a map of the exact Park boundary.

“Please supply me with a copy of a map showing (2) the areas owned by different landowners in the Park, e.g. the LLDC, the LVRPA, Hackney Council, etc.

The qualified exemption being assessed in the public interest test was s.43(2) – commercial interests. During the public interest test it became clear that this exemption was not relevant, as the information requested is in the public domain.

After reviewing the information requested, the Legacy Corporation can confirm that they hold this information; however, the Legacy Corporation obtains this information from the Land Registry. Therefore, the Legacy Corporation considers this information exempt under s.21 – information reasonably accessible to applicant by other means.

21 Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

This exemption is class based and absolute. This means that the Legacy Corporation is not required to consider the public interest. Consideration does need to be given to whether the information is reasonably assessable to the person requesting it.

The Land Registry registers the ownership of land and property in England and Wales. There is a comprehensive website, via Gov.UK:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/land-registry>. The site contains lots of guidance plus contact information. The Legacy Corporation considers that the Land Registry and the information that it holds can be considered reasonably accessible to the requestor.

“Please supply me with a copy of a map showing (3) the areas of common land.”

The Legacy Corporation does not hold this information. Within the areas that the Legacy Corporation has responsibility for, there are currently no areas of common land.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to:

Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Services
London Legacy Development Corporation
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Montfichet Road
London
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Please note: complaints and requests for internal review received more than two months after the initial response will not be handled.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may appeal directly to the Information Commissioner at the address given below. You should do this within two months of our final decision. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Further information on the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available from the Information Commissioner's Office:

Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF

Telephone 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45

Website www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely



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