

13 July 2017

INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE 17-040

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request, received on 3 July 2017. You asked the London Legacy Development Corporation (Legacy Corporation) to provide the following information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR):

“The current valuation report for part of Vittoria Wharf, Stour Road, London E3 2NT.”

I can confirm that the Legacy Corporation holds information relevant to your request, however, please be advised that this information is being withheld under the following EIR exceptions:

Regulation 12(4)(d)

12(4) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that—

(d) the request relates to material which is still in the course of completion, to unfinished documents or to incomplete data;

Regulation 12(5)(e)

12(5) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that its disclosure would adversely affect—

(e) the confidentiality of commercial or industrial information where such confidentiality is provided by law to protect a legitimate economic interest;

The Legacy Corporation is currently in the process of reviewing what requirements and aspirations we have for the residue of land/building left post the construction of the pedestrian bridge with a view to possibly disposing of our interests. Information disclosed under EIR is considered to be public information, and while there is a presumption towards disclosure, consideration needs to be given as to who will have access to this information and the purposes for which they could use the information.

The valuation report requested is currently in draft format only and has not yet been finalised however it does contain information in relation to the valuation of the piece of property currently under consideration.

The Legacy Corporation has assessed the impact of releasing the information requested. There is, of course, a public interest in promoting transparency of accountability of public sector bodies, however, it is the opinion of the Legacy Corporation that releasing the draft valuation report containing details of the valuation of the property during the current considerations of the sale of that property, would harm the Legacy Corporation's ability to get best value for the public purse and would adversely affect the Legacy Corporation's commercial interests.

It is the view of the Legacy Corporation that, at this time, the public interest in withholding the information requested outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

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:

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Montfichet Road
London
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Email: FOI@londonlegacy.co.uk

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

FOI / EIR Co-ordinator
London Legacy Development Corporation