



24 August 2022

INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE 22-032

Thank you for your information request, received on 19 August 2022. You asked the London Legacy Development Corporation (Legacy Corporation) to provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

“We are looking for information relating to where the land waste from the Olympic site was taken when the site was renovated for the Olympic games.

We are asking for this under the Freedom of Information Act and was informed that the information of all relevant sites used to take Landfill, was held by the ODA, which has now ceased.

Control and access to the documents now rests with yourselves.

We would be grateful if you could supply this information or where this is now being held.”

When the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) closed, some specific information transferred to the Legacy Corporation, however, the majority of the ODA information transferred to the Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS).

Information on what formally transferred to the Legacy Corporation is listed on the Transfer Schemes which are publicly available on our website, towards the end of the webpage: [Transparency and Publication Scheme](#).

Please note, we are refusing to respond to the detail of the request as the cost of compliance would exceed the appropriate limit as defined by FOIA section 12.

Section 12 - Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.

- (1) *Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.*

In order to identify whether we hold any information you have requested, we would need to search our fileserver using a multitude of terms. All of the search results would need to be reviewed in order to identify whether the information is relevant to your request.

The Legacy Corporation has estimated that the resources that would be required to identify, locate, retrieve and extract this information would far exceed the appropriate limit.

The appropriate limit is £450, calculated as 18 hours at the rate of £25 per hour, however, only the time taken to;

- a. establishing if the information is held;
- b. locating the information;
- c. retrieving the information; and
- d. extracting the information;

can be taken into consideration when calculating the estimated costs of answering the request.

In order to identify all the information requested, the searches would need to be conducted across all email and fileservers. Given the broad nature of your request, running these searches and reviewing them in order to identify if the information is relevant to your request would take a considerable time, far beyond the appropriate limit established by the FOIA.

The Legacy Corporation cannot justify the cost or the use of resources that would be required to answer your request, consequently, under Section 12 of the FOIA the Legacy Corporation is not obliged to respond to your request.

However, under FOIA section 16 we recognise our ability to advise you and provide assistance where possible.

Section 16 - Duty to provide advice and assistance.

- (1) *It shall be the duty of a public authority to provide advice and assistance, so far as it would be reasonable to expect the authority to do so, to persons who propose to make, or have made, requests for information to it.*

We have identified a paper in the public domain that may be relevant to this area which we have linked below:

- [ODA paper published December 2011 on Demolition Waste Management on the Olympic Park.](#)

Additional information may also be on the [London 2012 Learning Legacy](#) website.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request and wish to make a request for an internal review of our response, you should write to:

Deputy Chief Executive
London Legacy Development Corporation
Level 9
5 Endeavour Square
Stratford
E20 1JN

Email: FOI@londonlegacy.co.uk

Please note: requests for internal reviews received more than forty working days 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
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