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INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE 24-008

Thank you for your information request, received on 20 February 2024. You asked the London Legacy Development Corporation (Legacy Corporation) to provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

“Please could you release any reports, presentations, diagrams, maps and other documents (such as Data Protection Impact Assessments) relating to the use of AI/computer vision CCTV analysis systems used in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park since 2019?

For example, I believe that QEOP is working with SensingFeeling to some extent.

If you can, please do only redact the parts of documents that fall under exceptions (eg, security rules) rather than the documents as a whole.

If the scope is too broad and falls outside of the limits, please reduce the scope of this request to documents of the various kinds described above to during or since 2022.”

I can confirm that the Legacy Corporation holds information which falls within the scope of your request, however, please be advised that this information is being withheld under FOIA section 31(1)(a) – the prevention and detection of crime.

Section 31 - Law enforcement.

(1) Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice—

(a) the prevention or detection of crime

The section 31 exemption is a qualified exemption and subject to the prejudice test and the public interest test. Under the prejudice test we have to consider if disclosure of this information would, or would be likely to, prejudice the prevention of crime.

Consideration is also given to the harm disclosing this information would be likely to cause, combined with other information already in the public domain (mosaic effect) or possibly released at a future date (precedent effect). The public interest test considers and balances the public interest in disclosing this information against the public interest in not disclosing this information and uses this assessment to decide whether there is sufficient justification in withholding this information under this exemption.

Information disclosed under the FOIA 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 beyond the requestor, and the purposes for which they could use the information.

Prejudice to the prevention of crime

The Legacy Corporation has assessed the impact of releasing the information withheld under the exemption s.31(1)(a) – the prevention or detection of crime, in order to decide whether disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the prevention of crime. We have concluded that prejudice to the prevention of crime would be caused by disclosing this information, so the exemption is engaged.

Given the nature of the information requested, releasing this information will make public information on detailed security information for Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park (QEOP) which is extremely sensitive and would jeopardise the security of QEOP.

Public Interest Test

There is, of course, a public interest in promoting transparency of public authorities' decisions and accountability, however, the disclosure of the information requested, currently withheld under s.31(1)(a) and identified as prejudicial to the prevention of crime would harm the security of QEOP because it would reveal highly sensitive security information and operations. This is a site with a high-level security protocol and releasing any information in relation to the security of this site into the public domain would compromise the security of the site.

It is the view of the Legacy Corporation that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

While the Legacy Corporation cannot provide you with the information requested for the reasons provided above, under FOIA section 16 - Duty to provide advice and assistance, please note that in 2021 we undertook a trial looking at movement across the Park, however, the cameras involved did not undertake analytics or have AI with them. Information on the trial is available here: <https://smartmobility.london/news-items/converting-cctv-cameras-into-smart-sensors>.

A search was run across the Corporate fileservers for the term "SensingFeeling" and no results were found.

Please be advised that any new information request you submit will be dealt with as a new request.

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:

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Please note: requests for internal reviews received more than forty workings 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

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Yours sincerely

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