



Community and Enterprise Resources
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Date: 9 August 2017

Dear Mr Freel

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA)
Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations (The EI(S)Rs)
Request for Information

I refer to your information request dated 12 July 2017 received by the Council on 13 July 2017 in which you ask for the following information:

The numbers of retrospective planning applications received in South Lanarkshire in relation to the following:

- a) Total Number of Retrospective planning applications received in respect of Calendar years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and from January 2017 to 30th June 2017 for whole of south Lanarkshire and then split into retrospective applications in the following areas. Stonehouse, Larkhall, Hamilton, East Kilbride.
- b) The number of enforcement or other actions taken against retrospective planning applications

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA)

The Council has considered that the information is subject to the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 and is therefore exempt from the provisions of FOISA under Section 39(2).

The Council will go on to respond to your request in terms of the EI(S)Rs.

Response to requests

The Council can give you all of the information that it has in relation to your request.

- a) The total number of retrospective planning applications received in respect of the following calendar years is:

2012 – 107

Montrose House, 154 Montrose Crescent, Hamilton ML3 6LB Phone 0303 123 1015
Email: planning@southlanarkshire.gsx.gov.uk



2013 – 106
2014 – 91
2015 – 85
2016 – 80
2017 – 70 (from 1 January 2017 – 30 June 2017)

Of these planning applications the following were received for:

Stonehouse – 13
Larkhall – 27
Hamilton – 77
East Kilbride - 82

b) There have been 2 cases where enforcement or other actions have been taken against retrospective planning applications during this time period.

Request for Review

We have an internal panel (the review panel) to deal with complaints from people who are not happy about the way that we have handled their request. Staff not involved in the original decision will handle any review.

If you want to complain, you can ask the review panel to reassess our actions. Please note that if you wish to complain, you must do so by 9 October 2017. You must explain why you are not happy when requesting a review.

You should send your request for a review to:

Mr. W. Dunn
Legal Services Adviser
Corporate Resources
Montrose House
154 Montrose Crescent
Hamilton, ML3 6LB

Alternatively, you can request a review at foi.reviews@southlanarkshire.gov.uk.

Appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner

If you are not happy with the outcome of the review, you can appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. The Commissioner will decide whether we have dealt with your request properly. Please see the Commissioner's website at www.itspublicknowledge.info for further details.

Yours sincerely



Gordon Cameron
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