

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – social homes for rent

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

How many properties in your local authority area have been sold under the 'Right to Buy' scheme since May 6th 2010?

390 properties have been sold under the Right to Buy Scheme since 6th May 2010

How many social homes for rent have been built in your local authority area since May 6th 2010?

We monitor our pipeline of future affordable housing on a quarterly basis in terms of:

- i) 'committed' supply' – that is, those proposed homes which already have funding secured for affordable housing and/or the proposed schemes have already started on site; and
- ii) 'proposed supply' – that is, those proposed homes under discussion which do not yet have funding or planning approval.

As at 30th June 2013, our pipeline included:

15 committed and 0 proposed new social rent homes for completion in 2013/14
(1.4.13 - 31.3.14)

9 committed and 0 proposed new social rent for completion in 2014/15

0 committed and 0 proposed new social rent homes for completion in 2015/16.

How many social homes for rent to be built in future have, at this point in time, both planning permission and financing in place?

We monitor completions (affordable homes built) on a quarterly basis and so we do not have the information available to answer this question from the start date of May 6th 2010. Therefore this letter acts as a refusal notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because, in accordance with section 1.1 of the Act, this information is not held by the council.

Since 1st April 2010 and up to 30th June 2013, a total of 491 new social rent homes have been completed in Leicester.

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Information Governance Manager

Information and Support

Leicester City Council

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Wycliffe House

Water Lane

Wilmslow SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545 700

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