

Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-353, please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

I would like to know the locations (roads) of housing estates in your area where the heating was originally fired by oil fed from a central tank - known as Central Oil Storage.

## Response:

The Building Control department have advised that the type of heating installed is recorded by the Competent Persons Scheme and not by the Council. They stated that although we receive the registered persons paperwork, we do not log the type of heating as an individual record and would therefore need to review every record. In addition to this, they have advised that the majority of new housing estate applications are looked after by private companies (NHBC) and that we would hold no information for these.

In respect of those requests that are answered in full, partially or the total refused, please take this as notice under FOIA, that we:

a) Consider the information as exempt from disclosure under the Act;

b) Claim exempt under sections of the Act:

Section 12(4)(a) – Information Not Held

c) State why the exemption applies:

Regulation 12 (4) a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-353.

If information has been refused, please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.