



North Tyneside Council

Reference: FOI1610

**Request:**

FOI Questions: We would be grateful if you could provide the name of the authority in full; your region; and a contact for any follow-up questions, if possible here:

- **Name of Authority - North Tyneside Council**
- **Region - North Tyneside**
- **Contact - Felicity Shoemsmith, Community & Voluntary Sector Liaison - felicity.shoemsmith@northtyneside.gov.uk**

The authority's Community Asset Transfer (CAT) policy

1. Does the authority have a published Community Asset Transfer\* policy?  
\*Community Asset Transfer enables local authorities to transfer the ownership/management of their assets to community organisations at less than full market value in order to achieve a defined public benefit.

**No, the authority does not have an Asset Transfer Policy.**

- a. If yes, please provide a web-link to the policy.

**N/A**

- b. If no, is Community Asset Transfer (CAT) integrated into another policy within your local authority – such as wider asset management strategies or VCSE (voluntary, community and social enterprise) policies? Please provide a web-link to this, if so.

**We don't have a policy**

- c. If no, does the authority have a CAT policy that is not-published / only available on request? Please provide a copy if available, if so.

**We don't have a policy. Any request for a long lease is looked at individually and a report taken through the Strategic Property Group then on to Cabinet for a decision.**

2. If the authority has a CAT policy (whether integrated into another strategy or a non-published policy), when was this last updated or reviewed?

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The volume of Community Asset Transfer over the last five years

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3. How many land or building assets has the authority transferred to community ownership\* through Community Asset Transfer in the following time periods (financial years): 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, and 2018/19?
  - For the purpose of this question, please provide the number of assets that have been transferred using the General Disposal Consent (England) 2003 (Local Government Act 1972), which enables the transfer of assets at less than best or nil consideration to achieve a defined community benefit.

**None**

4. Of those assets that have been transferred, how many are on:

**N/A**

- a. A freehold agreement
- b. A long lease of at least 25 years or more
- c. A lease of between 5 years and 25 years
- d. A lease of less than 5 years. Please provide this information for the same time periods as Q3 if possible.

5. Currently, how many land or building assets does the authority own in total? Please exclude social housing assets from this total.

- **173 operational land and buildings**
- **569 non-operational land and buildings (commercial stock)**

6. How many of the authority's land and building assets are currently identified as potential assets available for CAT? Please state if you do not review assets available for CAT in this way.

**We do not review assets in this way**