



I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act into the number of retrospective planning applications (an application made to the council for a development that had already been carried out, or was already in the process of being constructed) made to your council in the past three years.

I have detailed the request below. If you need any further clarification or information that would aid you in the completion of this request, please let me know. Every effort has been made to ensure that the terminology used in this request mirrors the terms you use, but if there are any discrepancies (for example, in Q4 and Q5) please use the terminologies used by your council to respond to the request.

Q1. How many retrospective applications for planning permission for a residential property did you receive in the following timeframes?

Planning response:

Planning applications are categorised into types defined in planning legislation as major, minor and other. Householder applications, which are defined as those relating to works or an extension for a dwelling (which excludes a flat), are held in the category "other" and can be identified by the suffix FULH. Information as to which applications are retrospective is not formally held as there is no requirement to do so. However, where it is known on receipt of an application that the works have already been carried out (in full or partially) this is included in the description. Information provided below is based on FULH applications where retrospective is included in the description.

	2017	2018	2019
Total number of applications made for planning permission for development already carried out	11	14	6 (to 30/8/19)

Q2. How many applications for planning permission for residential property development already carried out were refused in the following timeframes:

Planning response based on the data provided in response to q.1 (based on date application received not determined which may be in a later year)

	2017	2018	2019
Total number of applications made for planning permission for development already carried out refused	3	4	1

Q3. How many planning enforcement notices were issued in the following timeframes?

Planning response based on enforcement actions relating to the 8 cases identified in q.2

	2017	2018	2019
Number of enforcement notices issued	0	0	0



Number of stop notices issued	0	0	0
Number of breach of condition notices issued	0	0	0
Number of planning enforcement orders issued	0	0	0

Q4. Of the retrospective domestic planning applications that were refused, what were the reasons given for the application being made?

Planning response based on the data provided in response to q.1. Of the 8 retrospective applications refused, 2 related to garden fences and 1 to a roof garden which do not fall in the descriptions below.

	2017	2018	2019
Loft conversion	1	1	
Single-height extension	1	2	
Double-height extension			
Converting a garage			
Creating an open-plan space			

Q5. Of the retrospective domestic planning applications that were refused, what were the reasons given by the council for this? (NB. If the categorisations you use for this differ from those listed below, please use your categories to save on time)

	2017	2018	2019
The build overshadows a neighbour, causing loss of light		2	
The build overlooks other homes, causing loss of privacy			
The build appearance is out of character with the existing property	3	1	
Overdevelopment			
It impacts on highway safety			
Use of hazardous materials			
Impact upon trees			

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Restricts road access			
Negative effect on nature conservation			
The property is a listed building			
Other reason not listed above		1 (Conservation Area)	1 (Conservation Area)