19 April 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 450/18

Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request:

I wish to make freedom of information requests to receive copies of:

1. A copy of the submitted Rutland County Council’s bid for funding under the Housing Infrastructure Fund

   Answer: In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this email message acts as a Refusal Notice.

   Under Section 43 of the Act - commercial interests: that disclosure of the information may prejudice the commercial interests of another person as the information could provide the recipient with an unfair advantage. This is because the Council believes that disclosure of this information would prejudice the commercial interests of the provider, as it would harm the provider’s ability to compete in the market. The public interest test has been applied and in all the circumstances of the case, the Council considers that the public interest in maintaining the exemption is greater than the public interest in disclosure.

2. A copy of the Master Plan covering the proposed development.

   Answer: This is currently being drafted and once completed will be placed on Rutland County Council’s website.

3. A statement of the internalisation percentage used for the incremental peak hour traffic increase calculation; as well as the outcome of that calculation included in both of the above documents.

   Answer: A high level Transport Assessment has been produced to date which applies generic trip generation rates to the initial quantum of development for various land use options at St. George’s Barracks. No allowance has been made for internalisation of trips in this high level Transport Assessment. A masterplan process is now being undertaken which will provide the necessary details of land use quantum, mix and phasing, including elements such as primary and secondary schools, district centres and employment opportunities from which estimates of...
internal trips can be calculated. Emerging trends which impact on trip generation such as reducing car ownership amongst the young, an increasing propensity to work from home and an increasing trend for on-line leisure and shopping will also be incorporated. A refined Transport Assessment will then be produced that modifies land use trip rates to reflect both internalisation of trips, emerging trends and sustainable transport options.

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Yours faithfully

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