FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 1072/18

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request / Response:

On behalf of the Environmental Industries Commission I would like to make the following Freedom of Information (FOI) request of your Authority under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

1. Do you have specialist 'contaminated land officers' (CLO) employed within the Council? If answer is 'No' does the council engage 'independent specialist consultants' to advise council on sites?

   Answer: The work is undertaken by either an Environmental Health Officer or a Regulatory Officer. Both are experienced in this subject since the current regulatory regime was introduced in 2001.

2. With regard to Brownfield sites (including contaminated land sites), do the Council carry out routine site inspections to discharge planning conditions?

   Answer: Officers will visit sites if there are concerns with contaminated land assessments or verification reports.

3. With regard to Brownfield sites (including contaminated land sites), what verification does the council rely upon to discharge planning conditions related to remediation of brownfield / contaminated land sites?

   Answer: Rutland County Council requires a verification report to ensure the works specified in the site assessments have been undertaken before the discharge of conditions.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please contact the Head of Corporate Governance, Rutland County Council, Catmose, Oakham, Rutland LE15 6HP

You can also complain to the Information Commissioner at:
Yours faithfully

FOI Administrator
Business Support Team
Rutland County Council