

FOI number: **HBC\_FOI\_20200342**  
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Department: **Planning**  
Title: **Self Build Register**  
Description: **The Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register**

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

Can you please provide the following information in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act:

1. The number of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
  
2. The number of associations of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
  
3. The number of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods specifying Bushey as their preferred location:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
  
4. The number of associations of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods specifying Bushey as their preferred location:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
  
5. The date on which the Council commenced its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding register.
  
6. What are the Council's entry requirements for joining its Self-Build Register.

7. Whether the Council applies a local connection test or a financial solvency test to applicants and if so when was this introduced.
8. The number of (and application references for) Self Build and/or Custom Housebuilding permissions the Council granted in each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
9. The number of CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 1 sites in each of the following base periods together with application references:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
10. Of the CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 1 sites identified in question 7 above – the number of these which have since achieved Certification through CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 2 in each of the following base periods together with application references:
  - a. Base Period 1
  - b. Base Period 2
  - c. Base Period 3
  - d. Base Period 4
  - e. Base Period 5
11. How does the Council monitor Self Build and Custom Housebuilding permissions and completions.
12. How does the Council alert individuals and associations of individuals on its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register to any self-build and custom housebuilding permissions it grants.
13. How has the Council publicised the existence of its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register.
14. If the Council has publicised the existence of its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding register, when did this take place.

**Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)**

1. The number of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base Period 1 (to 30 Oct 2016) – 8 individuals
  - b. Base Period 2 (to 30 Oct 2017) – 4 individuals
  - c. Base Period 3 (to 30 Oct 2018) – 23 individuals
  - d. Base Period 4 (to 30 Oct 2019) – 11 individuals
  - e. Base Period 5 (to 30 Oct 2020) – this period is not complete but we have so far have registered 3 individuals in Base Period 5.

2. The number of associations of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base Period 1 – 1 associations
  - b. Base Period 2 – 0 associations
  - c. Base Period 3 – 1 association
  - d. Base Period 4 – 1 association
  - e. Base Period 5 – 0 associations
  
3. The number of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods specifying Bushey as their preferred location:
  - a. Base Period 1 – 1 individual specified Bushey as 1<sup>st</sup> preference; 1 specified it as their 6<sup>th</sup> preference
  - b. Base Period 2 (none)
  - c. Base Period 3 – 2 individuals specified Bushey as 1<sup>st</sup> preference
  - d. Base Period 4 – 1 individual specified Bushey as their 2<sup>nd</sup> preference; 1 specified Bushey as their 3<sup>rd</sup> preference; 1 specified Bushey as their 5<sup>th</sup> preference
  - e. Base Period 5 (none)
  
4. The number of associations of individuals on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register in each of the following base periods specifying Bushey as their preferred location:
  - a. Base Period 1 (none)
  - b. Base Period 2 (none)
  - c. Base Period 3 – 1 association specified Bushey as their 2<sup>nd</sup> preference
  - d. Base Period 4 – 1 association specified Bushey as their 3<sup>rd</sup> preference
  - e. Base Period 5 (none)
  
5. The date on which the Council commenced its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding register.  
18<sup>th</sup> March 2016
  
6. What are the Council's entry requirements for joining its Self-Build Register.  
Please see the application form and guidance here:  
<https://www.hertsmere.gov.uk/Planning--Building-Control/Planning-Policy/Other-guidance-and-information/Self-build-Custom-Housebuilding.aspx>
  
7. Whether the Council applies a local connection test or a financial solvency test to applicants and if so when was this introduced.  
No tests applied
  
8. The number of (and application references for) Self Build and/or Custom Housebuilding permissions the Council granted in each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base Period 1 (none)
  - b. Base Period 2 (none)
  - c. Base Period 3 (none)
  - d. Base Period 4 (none)
  - e. Base Period 5 (none)
  
9. The number of CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 1 sites in each of the following base periods together with application references:
  - a. Base Period 1 - 36

14/0823/FUL, 14/1181/FUL, 14/1458/FUL, 14,1485/FUL, 14/1575/FUL,  
14/1823/FUL, 14/1877/FUL, 14/2107/FUL, 14/2111/FUL, 15/0197/FUL,  
15/0215/FUL, 15/0247/FUL, 15/0312/FUL, 15/0528/FUL, 15/0532/FUL,  
15/0586/FUL, 15/0963/HSE, 15/1042/FUL, 15/1273/FUL, 15/1454/FUL,  
15/1542/FUL, 15/1543/FUL, 15/1632/FUL, 15/1787/FUL, 15/1888/FUL,  
15/1894/FUL, 15/1917/FUL, 15/1978/FUL, 16/0258/FUL, 16/0265/FUL,  
16/0300/FUL, 16/0569/FUL, 16/0811/FUL, 16/0915/FUL, 16/1223/FUL,  
16/1293/FUL

**b. Base Period 2 – 56 (20 new)**

14/1923/FUL, 15/0430/FUL, 16/0068/FUL, 16/0070/FUL, 16/1026/FUL,  
16/1481/FUL, 16/1756/FUL, 16/2196/FUL, 16/2203/FUL, 16/2325/FUL,  
16/2372/VOC, 16/2422/FUL, 16/2467/FUL, 16/2481/FUL, 17/0195/FUL,  
17/0292/FUL, 17/0310/VOC, 17/0822/FUL, 17/0909/FUL, 17/1137/FUL

**c. Base Period 3 – 88 (32 new)**

14/1813/HSE, 15/1140/FUL, 15/1237/FUL, 16/0592/FUL, 16/1062/FUL,  
16/1413/FUL, 17/0247/FUL, 17/0545/FUL, 17/0946/VOC, 17/1297/FUL,  
17/1450/VOC, 17/1624/FUL, 17/1638/FUL, 17/1674/FUL, 17/1705/FUL,  
17/1711/VOC, 17/1849/FUL, 17/2044/FUL, 17/2140/FUL, 17/2156/FUL,  
17/2221/FUL, 17/2267/FUL, 17/2271/FUL, 17/2361/FUL, 17/2429/HSE,  
18/0053/VOC, 18/0079/FUL, 18/0100/FUL, 18/0265/FUL, 18/0416/FUL,  
18/0580/VOC, 18/1380/VOC,

**d. Base Period 4 - 113 (25 new)**

16/1571/VOC, 18/0079/FUL, 18/1285/FUL, 18/1634/FUL, 18/1679/FUL,  
18/1716/FUL, 18/1909/VOC, 18/2172/FUL, 18/2176/VOC, 18/2245/FUL,  
18/2250/FUL, 18/2390/FUL, 19/0048/FUL, 19/0108/FUL, 19/0165/FUL,  
19/0278/FUL, 19/0322/FUL, 19/0570/FUL, 19/0738/FUL, 19/0771/FUL,  
19/0849/FUL, 19/0935/VOC, 19/1025/FUL, 19/1058/FUL, 19/1278/FUL

**e. Base Period 5 - 135 (22 new)**

17/0245/FUL, 17/1382/FUL, 17/1382/FUL, 17/1382/FUL, 18/1409/FUL,  
19/0899/FUL, 19/0917/FUL, 19/1300/FUL, 19/1341/FUL, 19/1363/FUL,  
19/1389/FUL, 19/1408/FUL, 19/1436/FUL, 19/1739/FUL, 19/1739/FUL,  
19/1806/FUL, 19/1921/FUL, 19/1928/FUL, 20/0109/FUL, 20/0114/VOC,  
20/0262/FUL, 20/0443/FUL

10. Of the CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 1 sites identified in question 7 above – the number of these which have since achieved Certification through CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 2 in each of the following base periods together with application references:

**a. Base Period 1 – 2**

14/1458/FUL, 14/1485/FUL

**b. Base Period - 9 (7 new)**

14/0823/FUL, 14/2107/FUL, 15/0215/FUL, 15/0528/FUL, 15/0586/FUL,  
16/0258/FUL, 16/0265/FUL

**c. Base Period 3 - 14 (5 new)**

14/2111/FUL, 15/1042/FUL, 15/1140/FUL, 16/0915/FUL, 16/1481/FUL

**d. Base Period 4 - 21 (7 new)**

14/1923/FUL, 15/0247/FUL, 15/1978/FUL, 16/0068/FUL, 16/0070/FUL,  
17/0822/FUL, 17/2221/FUL

e. Base Period 5- 29 (8 new)

15/0197/FUL, 16/2196/FUL, 17/1705/FUL, 17/1711/VOC, 17/2361/FUL,  
18/0100/FUL, 18/1679/FUL, 18/2250/FUL

11. How does the Council monitor Self Build and Custom Housebuilding permissions and completions.

Self-build applications are monitored mainly through site visits and evidence received.

12. How does the Council alert individuals and associations of individuals on its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register to any self-build and custom housebuilding permissions it grants.

They are not currently alerted of permissions granted

13. How has the Council publicised the existence of its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register.

Website

14. If the Council has publicised the existence of its Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding register, when did this take place.

When it was first introduced in 2016