



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001272
Date 27 June 2017

Residential Tower Blocks

Request:

Please answer the following questions. I make this request under the Freedom of Information Act. For clarity, residential tower blocks should include those in your area, whether they are owned or managed by the council, arms-length housing company, housing trust, or whether privately owned or any other form of ownership or management.

- 1) How many residential tower blocks are there in your council area? How many people live in these tower blocks?
- 2) How many of those residential tower blocks do not contain sprinkler systems? How many people live in tower blocks without sprinkler systems?
- 3) How many residential tower blocks do not have a central fire alarm system? How many people live tower blocks that do not have a central fire alarm system?
- 4) How many residential tower blocks are cladded? How many people live in cladded residential tower blocks?
- 5) How many residential tower blocks are cladded with Aluminium Composite Material (also known as Aluminium Composit Panels)? How many people live in tower blocks cladded with ACM/ACP?
- 6) Please state, for each building cladded with ACM/ACP, the type of insulation and core used with the panels, for example polyethylene (PE), polyurethane (PUR), profiled metal or a mineral core. How many residential tower blocks are cladded with each core? How many people live in each building cladded with each core?
- 7) How many residential tower blocks are cladded with Reynobond PE cladding? How many people live in tower blocks cladded with Reynobond PE cladding?
- 8) How many residential tower blocks are cladded with Reynobond FR cladding? How many people live in tower blocks cladded with Reynobond FR cladding?

- 9) Where another type of cladding was used on a residential tower block, please state the type of cladding used. How many buildings are covered with each other type of cladding and how many people live in them?
- 10) Where cladding has been installed on a residential tower block, please state the name of the company that carried out the installation (where this is known)?
- 11) Where fire tests have been carried out since the Grenfell Tower fire, please state how many residential tower blocks have been found to be cladded with materials found to be combustible? Please state how many people live in these tower blocks and the type of material that was found to be combustible?
- 12) Please provide a copy of any fire test reports on cladding that have been produced since the Grenfell Tower fire and the results of these tests?
- 13) Please provide a list of all buildings in your area (residential and non-residential, where council managed or not) with ACM cladding and buildings more than 18m high. Please provide a copy of fire test reports and results on these buildings (see 11)?
- 14) How many of these buildings are used to house asylum seekers? How many asylum-seekers live in these buildings?
- 15) Please provide a copy of any correspondence with the Government about tower block cladding sent or received since 13 June, 2017?
- 16) Please provide a copy of any correspondence sent or received in the last seven years between the council and your local fire brigade and your local coroner about cladding on any buildings in your area?
- 17) Please provide a link to any planning applications involving cladding in the last seven years and a copy of any fire safety advice about cladding?
<http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/planningapplications>

In response to question 1 to 16, it has been established that the Council does not hold the above requested information.

Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("The Act"), that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".

To advise and assist you under Section 16 of the FOIA, you need to re-direct your enquiry to the relevant public authority. For reference we have provided their link below:

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Wolverhampton Homes

<https://www.wolverhamptonhomes.org.uk/aboutus/contact-us/making-a-request-for-information>