

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002381 **Date** 06 June 2018

Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding

Request:

This email is an application for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act. Please could you provide the following information:

- Do you, as a local authority, currently have a self or custom-build register as required under the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015? Yes.
- Please could you detail the eligibility criteria required to sign up?
 Aged 18 plus
 UK Citizen or European Economic Area Citizen or a national of Switzerland
 Seeking (either alone or with others) to acquire a serviced plot of land in the city
 for their own self-build and custom housebuilding project.
- 3. Is there a fee to join the self-build register, if so, how much is the fee? No fee.
- 4. Are you advertising the register publicly? If yes, please detail how? The register is available on the Council website.
- 5. How many people are currently signed up to the register? 30 people have registered since the creation of the register.
- 6. Please could you detail the measures you are going to, to respond to demand on the register? (for example-provision of plots, working with developers/housing associations, relevant local plan policies etc) We have explored potential for requiring developers to provide self-build plots through the Black Country Core Strategy review Issues and Options Consultation 2017.
- 7. How many plots have been provided since the introduction of the register? 0
- 8. How many applications for self-build have been granted since the register? 0
- 9. How many applications for self-build have been refused since the register? 0
- 10. How many applications for self-build are currently in process? 0

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11.	How many self-build homes have been completed since the register? (if known)
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