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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI380006688

Thank you for your request for information relating to Community-Led-Housing.

You have requested the following information:

The Government has given increased backing to community led housing, a sector made up of organisations like housing co-operatives, cohousing groups, community land trusts, tenant management organisations and self-help housing groups. We are contacting you to understand whether your council supports community led housing.

Please note: this is an updated request for information. For questions with numerical answers, please list the total/cumulative number since 2010, not just the amount since this FOI was last carried out. View your council's previous responses: 2019 and 2020 (published in 2021).

1. Does the council have any policies or ones in development to support community led housing? If so, what are they and where do they appear?

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

<http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/file/25899/finallocalplandecember2017>

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

2. Since January 2010, how many grants and/or loans has the council given to community led housing groups or organisations?

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

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http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/818/spending_over_500

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

3. Since January 2010, how many land disposals or leases has the council made to community led housing groups or organisations?

We can confirm that the Council has not disposed or leased any land to community led housing groups or organisations since January 2010.

4. Do you have dedicated staff to support community led housing? If so, what are their job titles?

The Council does not have any dedicated staff to support community led housing. However, it does have a very small team to support voluntary sector groups and organisations in general.

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Yours faithfully

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