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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI635110412

Thank you for your request for information relating to Street Votes.

You have requested the following information:

My query relates to your local authority's policy on Street Votes - where a vote is held to allow the residents of a street to give themselves the right to extend or redevelop their properties. This could include building a mansard roof. An extension. Or building housing on land currently occupied by derelict alleys or disused garages.

The Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 included provision for Street Vote Development Orders, though the new Government has not yet announced if it will proceed with implementing this or not.

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2023/55>

Please advise:

1. Has your local authority stated an opinion on street votes? Specifically, did you respond to the official consultation on Street Vote Development Orders?

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/street-vote-development-orders-consultation/street-vote-development-orders>

If so please send me a copy of your response.

2. I understand that regardless of Street Vote Development Orders legislation being implemented, individual local authorities could choose to introduce a similar arrangement of their own volition. This could be done by allowing a local poll under Section 116 of the Local Government Act 2003

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/26/section/116?timeline=false&view=plain>

and then issuing Local Development Orders to reflect what the residents voted for.

<https://www.local.gov.uk/pas/topics/local-development-orders/local-development-orders>.

Have you held any such street votes? Do you have any plans to allow street votes in future?

In response to your request, we advise Coventry City Council did not provide a response to the consultation. Furthermore, the Council has not introduced any measures through Local Development Orders to use street votes ahead of any Street Vote Development Orders.

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Yours faithfully

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