

REQUEST - HAMPSTEAD POLICE STATION

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am aware that the site of Hampstead police station is under offer. I would be grateful for the following information:

1. When was the offer made?
2. How much is the offer for?
3. Where are the negotiations at present?
4. What is the estimated date of sale?
5. Is MOPAC entertaining any other offers?
6. What is the maximum and minimum prices which MOPAC would entertain for an offer for the site?
7. What is MOPAC's estimate of best value to the public for the value of the site?

RESPONSE – HAMPSTEAD POLICE STATION

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 13 January 2014 to the Mayor's Office for Policing And Crime (MOPAC) regarding Hampstead Police Station.

I am replying under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and can confirm that MOPAC does hold the information you request. However, this information is exempt under Section 22 of the Act – information which is intended for future publication; Section 22 is a qualified exemption under the FOI Act 2000 and as such a public interest test has been carried out. In applying the public interest test, maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosure.

All property disposals are published on MOPAC's website:

<http://www.london.gov.uk/priorities/policing-crime/how-we-work/mopac-decisions>

Therefore, I confirm that MOPAC cannot disclose the information you request.

To provide some context on the process, the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime is responsible for approving the disposal of all MOPAC's properties.

Once approved, properties are marketed for disposal by MOPAC's property agents, Knight Frank. In disposing of the properties, Knight Frank run an open marketing campaign, typically with a six week marketing campaign followed by a two stage bidding process.

The Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) Director of Property Services has delegated approval to agree the final sale of all properties, with the exception of those that are seen as being novel and contentious; these must be approved by the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime. All decisions taken by the Deputy Mayor for Policing And Crime are published on MOPAC's website.

If you are unhappy with the response please see the MOPAC website on what the next steps are at:

<http://www.london.gov.uk/priorities/policing-crime/how-we-work/freedom-of-information>