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Dear

Freedom of Information Act request – London Development Database

I write to provide you with our response to your request for information of the 7th July 2015 which asked for the release of the following information:

Please can I be provided with:

A copy of the complete London Development Database. Please ensure that this includes current as well as historical data (going back to 2004).

If you could provide this in a csv, tsv, xls or other open spreadsheet format, I would be very grateful. If this is not possible, please contact me and let me know what formats are available/could be exported.

I would be grateful if you could bear in mind the following:

This data is currently already available to the public. However, it is in a map format that inhibits analysis. This is why I am requesting a copy of the database underpinning it.

The data on the London Development Database is already available to the public via boroughs' own websites using the planning application search functions, for example:

- <http://publicaccess.croydon.gov.uk/online-applications/>
- <http://planning.merton.gov.uk/Northgate/PlanningExplorerAA/GeneralSearch.aspx>
- <http://www.pam.ealing.gov.uk/portal/servlets/ApplicationSearchServlet>

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Specific reports from the London Development Database can be provided on request free of charge if they are to be used for journalistic purposes on the condition that the data is not published in its entirety.

We'd be happy to provide you with the specific data that you require and we will be happy to contact you directly to discuss this matter further.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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