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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EIR-17-0869 - Blocks of Flats
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 19 June 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

All questions refer to the most recent financial year (2016-17).

1.) How many high-rise blocks of flats designated for social housing (council flats) are owned by your council? By 'high-rise flats' I refer to the definition of a high-rise as a multi-story structure above 35 meters tall, or a building of unknown height from 12 floors and upwards.

Aberdeen City Council fully owns two such blocks. There is a further 38 blocks which are of mixed tenure.

2.) In the last financial year (2016-17), how many of these buildings were found to have a Category 1 hazard? This refers to the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS).

2b.) How many of these hazards were fire-related? Please list the buildings by address.

3.) How many of these buildings were found to have any other form of potential fire risk/hazard not listed above? For instance, during a standard risk assessment. Please list the buildings by address, and list the hazards.

The guidance referred to relates to properties in England only.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **how many of these buildings were found to have a Category 1 hazard? This refers to the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS)** as it is not held by the Council. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Regulation 10(4)(a) - Information Not Held - of the EIRs, ACC hereby gives notice that this information is not held by it. ACC is required by Regulation 10(1)(b) of the EIRs to inform you as to why in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining this exception outweighs the public interest in disclosing this information to you. ACC is satisfied that it does not hold this information and considers that, as there is no information held, the public interest lies with the exception.

4.) How many of these buildings have one or zero designated fire exits? Please list the buildings.

All of the high rise buildings have a minimum of two exits.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Webster
Information Compliance Officer

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

As the information which you requested is environmental information, as defined under Regulation 2(1) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (the EIRs), ACC considered that it was exempt from release through FOISA, and must therefore give you notice that we are refusing your request under Section 39(2) of FOISA (Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002). However, you have a separate right to access the information which you have requested under Regulation 5 of the EIRs, under which ACC has handled your request. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under the EIRs.

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