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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EIR-17-1044 - Property Zones
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 21 July 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

I would be grateful if you could provide a count of the number of registered private rental properties in each Datazone in the city.

Datazones are standard geographical areas constructed by Scottish Government and used across Scotland for the production of statistics for local areas as, for example, in the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation.

Aberdeen City Council does not hold this information.

All information concerning Landlord Registration is held on the Scottish Government's online Registration system. The Registration system includes certain reports which are available to Local Authorities, however no 'Datazone' reports are available. There is no statutory requirement to hold information about rental properties within Datazones.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **a count of the number of registered private rental properties in each Datazone in the city** 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.

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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