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GLYNNEATH TOWN COUNCIL

Dear Mr Evans,

Sent via email to: Alyn Evans
<alynevans1@gmail.com>

Annwyl/Dear Mr Evans,

RE: Freedom of Information Request

1. Your initial detailed email to the planning department.
2. Any subsequent emails to the planning department on the same subject.
3. Any reply received from the planning department at NPTCBC in reply to your emails.

I refer to the above request which was received on the 4th of February 2023.

I can confirm that it has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2005. The FOI gives the public the right of access to information held by public authorities.

When a public authority receives a request made under the FOI Act then it must either:

- provide the information to the requester
- write back to the requester to inform them that the information is not held
- refuse to confirm or deny whether the information is held;
- confirm that information is held but refuse to provide it.

A public authority may only refuse a request if the information is subject to an exemption in Part II of the Act, would exceed the appropriate cost limits under section 12 or is vexatious or repeated under section 14

In relation to your request, I can provide the following information:

1. A full copy of the email without any redactions has been copied to this letter and for ease of reference, is at the end of the document below the line
2. No further email correspondence has been sent to the department but telephone calls have been made to ask for updates. As the information in this instance is audio only and has not been recorded on paper other than what has been presented to Full Council, the Full Council Minutes would be the only paper information available to give to you and these are available online.
3. No further correspondence has been received from the NPTCBC Planning department or any other department regarding this email as of this letter to you.

Should you wish to complain about the handling of this Freedom of Information Request, you are asked to put your complaint in writing. It will be dealt with at the next available Full Council meeting.

You also have the right to complain directly to the Information Commissioner's Office in relation to this item.

Information Commissioner's Office – Wales
2nd Floor, Churchill House
Churchill Way
Cardiff
CF10 2HH
Please phone 0330 414 6421 to talk to the team.
e-mail: wales@ico.org.uk

Yours Sincerely,

Ceri Willcox

Ceri Willcox
Town Clerk to Glynneath Town Council

Email on next page below this line:

Glynneath Heol y Glyn Site Questions

Clerk Account <clerk@glynneathtowncouncil.gov.uk>

Tue 15/11/2022 13:25

To: Planning <planning@npt.gov.uk>

Good afternoon,

I hope that I have reached out to the right team for this, but please let me know if there is an issue at all and I will try and get in touch with anyone else that you would be able to direct me to.

I have taken on the role of Clerk at Glynneath Town Council and have seen some documents from one side of a discussion regarding the Heol Y Glyn site and am aware that there are some historical community issues here. I would be grateful if you could help me understand some of the concerns that have already been raised from your perspective and perhaps let me know if there's a timeline for the information that you've received and given out.

I am currently in correspondence with a group that calls themselves Glynneath Residents Against Contamination. In our last Council meeting, it was noted that a body of historical correspondence had been received via the Clerk and individual councillors and this is now continuing into the new term with the new councillors. We sought advice from Craig Griffiths with NPTCBC as I believe that this isn't a matter for the Town Council at this point in time and he directed me to speak with you if there was anything that needed to be questioned or raised.

I had some specific questions asked of us by the group and it would be helpful to know if they've already been answered or if they're new questions in the first instance. They are:

- ask to provide an update on the exposed contamination
- ask to provide details of its categorisation in accordance with the council's most recent Contaminated Land Strategy
- information regarding the toxicological report associated with this.

I appreciate that this is an ongoing issue for all concerned but I would be grateful for any information in this case.

Please let me know if I can help at all or give you any further information. If you need to reach me and the office phone rings through, please feel free to call me on 07480 137 315. I am in a meeting today from 2pm, but would be happy to talk otherwise.

All the best,

Ceri

Ceri Willcox (Mx)

Clerc y Cyngor / Clerk to the Council

Cyngor Tref Glynedd / Glynneath Town Council

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When you contact us:

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