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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 21/22-286 please find your question and our response below.

## Request:

I am writing with the following freedom of information request:

1. The date on which the Council's self-build register (which meets the requirement of the 2015 Act) was established.
2. The number of individuals and groups entered on to the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register for each of the following base periods (as referred to in the Act)
  - a. Base period 1 - From the start of the Self-Build Register up to 30 October 2016
  - b. Base period 2 – 31 October 2016 – 30 October 2017
  - c. Base period 3 – 31 October 2017 – 30 October 2018
  - d. Base period 4 – 31 October 2018 – 30 October 2019
  - e. Base period 5 – 31 October 2019 – 30 October 2020
  - f. Base period 6 – 31 October 2020 – 30 October 2021
3. The total number of individuals and groups on the Council's Self Build and Custom Housebuilding register at the end of the following base periods (as referred to in the Act)
  - a. Base period 1 - From the start of the Self-Build Register up to 30 October 2016
  - b. Base period 2 – 31 October 2016 – 30 October 2017
  - c. Base period 3 – 31 October 2017 – 30 October 2018
  - d. Base period 4 – 31 October 2018 – 30 October 2019
  - e. Base period 5 – 31 October 2019 – 30 October 2020
  - f. Base period 6 – 31 October 2020 – 30 October 2021
4. The number of serviced plots granted planning permission by the Council, which specifically meet the duty to grant planning permission for self-build and custom housebuilding, under Section 2A of the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 for each of the following base periods, together with the application reference numbers:
  - a. Base period 1 - From the start of the Self-Build Register up to 30 October 2016
  - b. Base period 2 – 31 October 2016 – 30 October 2017
  - c. Base period 3 – 31 October 2017 – 30 October 2018
  - d. Base period 4 – 31 October 2018 – 30 October 2019
  - e. Base period 5 – 31 October 2019 – 30 October 2020
  - f. Base period 6 – 31 October 2020 – 30 October 2021
5. How many of those registered on the self-build and custom housebuilding register renewed their interest and remained on the register for the following base period, for each of the following base periods:
  - a. Base period 2 – 31 October 2016 – 30 October 2017
  - b. Base period 3 – 31 October 2017 – 30 October 2018
  - c. Base period 4 – 31 October 2018 – 30 October 2019
  - d. Base period 5 – 31 October 2019 – 30 October 2020
  - e. Base period 6 – 31 October 2020 – 30 October 2021
6. The number of CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 1's the Council have counted towards

addressing demand arising from within each of the following base Periods under Section 2A(2) of the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act (as amended), together with the application reference numbers to which each CIL Form Part 1 relates:

- a. Base period 1 - From the start of the Self-Build Register up to 30 October 2016
- b. Base period 2 – 31 October 2016 – 30 October 2017
- c. Base period 3 – 31 October 2017 – 30 October 2018
- d. Base period 4 – 31 October 2018 – 30 October 2019
- e. Base period 5 – 31 October 2019 – 30 October 2020
- f. Base period 6 – 31 October 2020 – 30 October 2021

7. The number of CIL Self-Build Exemption Form 7 Part 2's the Council have counted towards addressing demand arising from within each of the following base Periods under Section 2A(2) of the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act (as amended), together with the application reference numbers to which each CIL Form Part 2 relates:
  - a. Base period 1 - From the start of the Self-Build Register up to 30 October 2016
  - b. Base period 2 – 31 October 2016 – 30 October 2017
  - c. Base period 3 – 31 October 2017 – 30 October 2018
  - d. Base period 4 – 31 October 2018 – 30 October 2019
  - e. Base period 5 – 31 October 2019 – 30 October 2020
  - f. Base period 6 – 31 October 2020 – 30 October 2021
8. Set out the reason/s for charging people to be entered and remain on the register and provide details of how the £20 fee has been arrived at.
9. The number of people that make an enquiry about self-build and custom housebuilding that then go onto the register.
10. In addition to having a webpage provide details of any other marketing and promotional activities that have been undertaken to make people aware of the register and ability to sign up since the start of the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register until the present day.
11. Provide information of any resistance to people signing up to the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Register and reasons for doing so.
12. The Council website states that 'To you as an individual or association, there is no direct benefit to being on part 1'. Provide details of any reason/s for no direct benefit.
13. Mechanisms the Council uses to alert those on the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register when self-build and custom housebuilding planning permission is granted.
14. In relation to the register provide details of the number of individuals and groups that have been removed from the register, whether individuals and groups have always been removed, and if not provide information on when this started.
15. Date when the £20 charge started, provide details of whether this has always been £20, whether this charge has been reviewed and if so when.
16. Information on whether applicants are notified/asked to renew each September before they are removed from the list, how and what methods are used to contact people and details of the renewal process.
17. Number of complaints that have been received about the process for signing up to the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Register and broad details of the complaints.

**Response:**

- 1 April 2016
2. a. 60 b. 30 c. 9 d. 4 e. 9 f. 10

3. a. 60 b. 90 c. 9 d. 4 e. 9 f. 10

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a. 0

N/A

b. 11

15/01491/FUM

16/01151/OUM

c. 19

17/00893/FUM

16/01662/OUM

18/00840/OUT

d. 27

18/00363/OUM

18/00820/OUM

19/00408/OUM

18/00393/OUM

e. 135

15/00175/OUM

17/00757/ESO

18/00752/ESO

19/01612/OUT

20/00127/OUT

16/00537/FUL

17/00946/FUL

17/01488/FUL

17/01935/FUL

18/00545/RMA

18/00748/FUL

18/01210/RMA

18/01304/FUL

18/01338/FUL

18/01713/FUL

19/00340/FUL

19/00340/FUL

19/00400/RMA

19/00479/FUL

19/00497/VAR

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19/00736/FUL

19/00738/FUL

19/00768/FUL

19/00930/FUL

19/00946/FUL

19/00977/FUL

19/01011/FUL

19/01065/FUL

19/01175/FUL

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20/00945/VAR

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21/00619/FUL  
21/00264/TDC  
21/01097/FUL  
21/00503/FUL  
18/01825/FUL  
19/01758/FUM  
20/00299/RMA  
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21/00740/FUL  
21/00809/FUL  
21/00810/FUL

21/01125/VAR  
21/01203/FUL  
21/01350/RMA

5. The Council does not collect this information.

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a. 0 – not included  
b. 0 – not included  
c. 0 – not included  
d. 0 – not included

e. 56

16/00537/FUL  
17/00946/FUL  
17/01488/FUL  
17/01935/FUL  
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7. None as Form 7 part 2 relates to completions not permissions/exemptions granted. This would result in double counting.

8. To cover the costs of administration. People on the register are sent details of planning applications that include self-build plots that the Council receives throughout the year.

9. The council does not collect this information.

10. Via a press release, a Register of Interest in Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding webpage and consultation relating to the preparation and adoption of the Council's Custom and Self-Build Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).

11. One person has objected to paying a fee.

12. Registration on either Part 1 or Part 2 does not guarantee that a suitable plot will be identified, or become available. People on both parts of the register are sent details of planning applications that include self-build plots that the Council receives throughout the year.

13. People on the register are sent details of planning applications that include self-build plots that the Council receives throughout the year.

14. From 31st October 2017 those who do not renew their application are removed from the register at



the end of the Self-build year.

15. 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. Increased in line with inflation to £20.50 in April 2021.

16. Those currently on the register are contacted via email (or post if no email address is given) and informed that to stay on the register beyond 30<sup>th</sup> October they must complete the application form and submit payment of the fee.

17. One – regarding payment of a fee.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 21/22-286

If information has been refused please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach [foi@eastcamb.gov.uk](mailto:foi@eastcamb.gov.uk) and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.