



# EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 22/23-381 please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

With regards to your work around biodiversity net gain, please can you tell me

1. How much you are currently charging, or plan to charge, developers for offsite biodiversity units so that they can meet their biodiversity net gain requirements
2. What % of biodiversity net gain you are requiring, or expect to require, from developers

## **Response:**

1. We do not set the charge for such units – it is driven by the market, and we have no influence over or knowledge of what is paid.
2. We have no present policy target. Instead we have a policy asking developers to “significantly exceed the pre-development biodiversity value of the onsite habitat.” We will enforce 10% BNG once the legally requirement becomes enacted later this year.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 22/23-381

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@eastcambs.gov.uk](mailto:foi@eastcambs.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.

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