



# EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-033, please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

1. Previously, planning permission was not required to change use from a Class C3 (dwellinghouses) to a Class C4 (HMO) and vice versa. Please could you confirm the above is still true and there are no local bylaws in your jurisdiction. (Are there any HMO article 4 areas in your jurisdiction, if there are could you provide me with a map?)
2. Could you kindly send me a copy of your full HMO register please?

## **Response:**

1. A change of use from C3 (a household living together of any size) to C4 (HMO) requires planning permission if more than 6 people are living together as separate individuals in one house. To change back from a C4 use to C3 would also require planning permission.

East Cambridgeshire District Council does not have any Article 4 directions.

2. <https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/environment/houses-multiple-occupancy-hmo-licence>

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-033

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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