



# EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-223, please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

In 2020 Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) announced a Levelling Up Fund of £4.8bn. My enquiry relates to the funds for Financial Years 2020-23 and the value of monies intended to fund new affordable housing and improve building safety.

Please provide the following information

1. Was the Council advised of the Levelling Up fund for new affordable housing?
2. Was the Council advised of the Levelling Up fund for building safety improvements?
3. Copies of letters / emails received from the DLUHC advising of how to apply, including reminders, for new affordable housing funding.
4. Copies of letters / emails sent to the DLUHC advising of the Council's wish to apply for the new affordable housing funding.
5. Did the Council share details of the funding and how to apply with the Housing Associations that the Council works with?
6. Copies of letters / emails between the Council and Housing Associations advising of the Council's / Housing Association's wish to apply for the new affordable housing and/or building safety improvement funds.
7. Copies of letters / emails received from the DLUHC advising of how to apply, including reminders, for building safety improvement funding.
8. Copies of letters / emails sent to the DLUHC advising of the Council's wish to apply for building safety improvement funding.
9. The list of projects / buildings that the Council was targeting to benefit from the building safety improvement funding and their "building safety risk" profile.
10. Dates and minutes of any meetings held with the DLUHC in relation to allocation of new affordable housing and building safety improvement funding.
11. Dates and minutes of any meetings held with the DLUHC in relation to return of new affordable housing and building safety improvement funds
12. How much money in total was returned to the DLUHC that had been earmarked for new affordable housing? Which buildings / projects were affected?
13. How much money in total was returned to the DLUHC that had been earmarked for building safety improvements? Which buildings / projects were affected?

## **Response:**

The £4.8bn levelling up fund that was launched in March 2021 focuses on three themes; local transport projects, town centre and high street regeneration and cultural and heritage assets. No bids were submitted under this fund for affordable housing or building safety as they would not have met the criteria for Round 1.

1. No
2. No
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- 11. n/a
- 12. n/a
- 13. n/a

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-223.

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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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