



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-426, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

1) Have the Local Authority instructed an RICS accredited Property Advisory company to raise Council revenue from business rates by either identifying properties which have been undervalued in the Rating List or identifying properties which are not in the Rating List but are complete and have not been valued for business rates purposes?

Our request does not relate to Rating Advisors who have been appointed by the Council to review and Challenge Rateable Values on their own Local Authority assets.

We would be grateful for the information in the following format:

- name of company
- date of contract award
- term of contract

Response:

The council does not, at present instruct any RICS approved property advisory company to raise Council revenue from business rates.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-426.

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 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.