Request 7719 – Development, planning, planning policy

(SCDC) Self Build Sites and Planning Permission

- (1) please provide information on the planning permissions, both outline and full granted to Self Build Projects in the last three years. If you cannot distinguish between Self build and Custom Build please information on both types.
- (2) please provide the following information on the Right to Build register:
- (a) what are the available sites?
- (b) how many parties are on the register?
- (c) how can we get in contact with other parties on the register?

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Response

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We find that exception 12(4)(d) – material still in the course of completion, applies to this part of your query. The selfbuild register has recently passed to the Planning Team and we are currently in the process of reviewing and updating the material which is incomplete the figures will be published following the end of the assessment period on 30/10/2020. Applications from previous data gathers are on the SCDC page where you can look for application information

Any suitable applications from the period 31/10/2019-30/10/2020 will be published at the end of the assessment period when we collate the information. This exception requires a public interest test to be undertaken to see whether it is reasonable to disclose material prior to its completion. As the material is being formally reviewed to ensure it is correct and an annual return is completed and details are made available on our website we consider the public interest is served in maintaining the exception to avoid confusion and

disturbing the normal process of reporting. We do not distinguish between 'self-build' and 'custom build. We can provide the below list of approved applications that we have for the October 2019 data.

Application Date Approved Plots

S/3680/18/FL 21/11/2018 1

S/3170/17/OL 07/02/2019 9

S/4433/18/OL 14/02/2019 1

S/3185/16/FL 06/03/2017 1

S/4112/17/OL 07/03/2018 1

S/0424/18/FL 19/04/2018 1

S/0375/19/FL 16/08/2019 1

S/2294/16/OL 31/08/2018 8

S/2547/18/FL 12/10/2018 2

S/2011/14/OL 09/01/2017 40

S/2593/16/OL 12/01/2017 1

S/2925/16/OL 01/03/2017 1

S/1818/17/OL 03/11/2017 1

S/2989/17/OL 07/12/2017 1

S/1769/17/OL 22/01/2018 3

S/0312/18/OL 30/04/2018 1

S/0179/18/OL 04/04/2018 1

S/4112/17/OL 07/03/2018 1

S/1524/16/OL 31/07/2018 6

S/2294/16/OL 31/08/2018 8

- (2) please provide the following information on the Right to Build register:
- (a) what are the available sites?

We advertise on behalf of developments therefor don't keep records of how many self or custom build housing is still available. That is solely up to the developer and we only provide the initial signposting.

(b) how many parties are on the register?

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(c) how can we get in contact with other parties on the register? The Facebook page does not appear to be accessible. Please advise how we can

communicate with other potential self builders?

Whilst outside of our duties, the facebook group you refer to was initiated by the previous self build team for interested parties to then take over themselves, however the Facebook group was never maintained by the previous department, and the group was removed. We are unable to provide resource for such social media platforms, however members of the register are of course at liberty to create and manage their own groups should they choose to do so. The council is not responsible for maintaining or moderating a group space for people on the register. Individuals are communicated with directly via email and any advertisements for plots/developments will be communicated to the register in its entirety.