

## **Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR)**

### **Decision notice**

**Date:** 4 September 2024

**Public Authority:** London Borough of Harrow

**Address:** Civic Centre  
Station Road  
Harrow  
Middlesex

#### **Request:**

The complainant requested the following information from the London Borough of Harrow on 25 May 2024:

"I'm interested in how the planning application for the above flats was agreed when there were so many residents who opposed the build.

Could you please give me information to indicate why this was agreed despite opposition?

Could you give me information on any agreement to minimise noise and disruption? I presume there would have been an environmental impact assessment. Are the builders supposed to adhere to the Harrow Council Considerate Construction scheme? Or any other schedule or timetable?"

#### **Commissioner's Decision:**

A public authority will breach regulation 5(2) of the EIR if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of regulation 5(2).

**Steps:**

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under the EIR.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

**Right of Appeal:**

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)  
GRC & GRP Tribunals,  
PO Box 9300,  
LEICESTER,  
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: [grc@justice.gov.uk](mailto:grc@justice.gov.uk)

Website: [www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber](http://www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber)

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner  
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Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
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