



North Tyneside Council

Reference: RFI 1712029

Request:

Re: Freedom of Information Request to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000)

We write to request information pursuant to the FOIA 2000.

We would therefore be grateful for you to supply the following information:

- Internal space standards (these will most usually be the government's published standards so I think you already have these)
- External private amenity space standards (flats)
- External private amenity space standards (houses)
- Communal private amenity space standards
- Minimum back to back distances
- Minimum side to back distances
- Separation distances to the side boundary (sometimes referred to as the 'terracing effect')
- Window to window distances
- Window to external amenity distances
- Car parking standards
- Cycle parking standards
- Waste storage standards
- % Lifetime Homes (M4(2))
- % Wheelchair Accessible Units (M4(3))
- Density standards (these could be minimum, maximum or a guide)
- Housing mix requirements
- Affordable housing policy
- CIL

We will of course meet any reasonable out of pocket expenses for this exercise pursuant to the FOIA 2000.

Response:

- Internal space standards, % Lifetime Homes (M4(2)) and % Wheelchair Accessible Units (M4(3)) are all covered by the Local Plan 2017, Policy DM4.9 "Housing Standards"
http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/local_plan_0.pdf
- Car parking standards – Appendix D of Transport and Highways Supplementary Planning document lists car parking standards for different development categories.
<http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/transport.pdf>
- Cycle parking standards - Appendix B of Transport and Highways Supplementary Planning document lists cycle parking standards for different development categories.
<http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/transport.pdf>
- Waste storage standards – requirements for waste storage can be found within the Local Plan 2017, DM7.9 New Development and Waste of the Local Plan
http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/local_plan_0.pdf. The Council's Street Environment Team and Highways Team will also comment on planning applications and give advice regarding storage and waste collection routes.
- Density standards (these could be minimum, maximum or a guide) The Council only have a density policy standard for executive homes, this standard can be found within the Local Plan 2017, Policy

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DM4.6 “Range of Housing Types and Sizes” http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/local_plan_0.pdf

- Housing mix requirements – requirements for housing can be found within the Local Plan 2017, Policy DM4.6 “Range of Housing Types and Sizes” http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/local_plan_0.pdf
- Affordable housing policy – The affordable housing policy can be found within the Local Plan 2017, Policy DM4.7 “Affordable Housing” http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/local_plan_0.pdf
- CIL – information about the Council’s proposed CIL can be found on the Council’s website at the following link <http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/1157/community-infrastructure-levy-cil>. The information includes the draft charging schedule and supporting documents.

There are no policy standards for the following;

- External private amenity space standards (flats)
- External private amenity space standards (houses)
- Communal private amenity space standards
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- Minimum side to back distances
- Separation distances to the side boundary (sometimes referred to as the ‘terracing effect’)
- Window to window distances
- Window to external amenity distances

All aspects of design are covered by Local Plan policies DM6.1 Design of Development and DM6.2 Extending Existing Buildings and discussed within the Design Quality Supplementary Planning Document <http://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/web-page-related-files/design.pdf> . However, these do not contain any quantifiable standards.