

Corporate Resources

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Dear Mr Hardwick,

On **17 July 2020** you submitted a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

Information in respect of the recently published Manual for Streets (July 2020):

- 1) Dates of and minutes of any meetings of Gloucestershire County Council authorising preparation and publication; or if under delegated authority details of that delegation;**
- 2) Details of any viability assessment undertaken which considered the impact of the new standards on residential development (having regard to other GCC/LPA requirements);**
- 3) Full details of the consultation(s) carried out in connection with its preparation;**
- 4) Details of the consideration of any representations made and how these were taken into account prior to publication.**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire County Council does hold relevant information.

- 1) Please find attached to this response the report and associated document.**

The new Manual for Streets (MfGS) was endorsed on 29 June 2020 at a virtual meeting of the Strategic Community Infrastructure Members Board (SCIMB) and authorised by the Infrastructure Commissioner. This was not a public meeting.

- 2) I can confirm that a viability assessment was not undertaken and there are no details to provide.
- 3) Consultation was conducted from 25 March 2020 onwards with officers of Highway Development Management Team and Highways Legal Agreements Team (Team Leader).
- 4) Representations were received from two Principal Development Co-ordinators, one Development Co-ordinator and one Technician. These were considered and where judged to improve the document by the Highways Development Management Team Leader, were included in the document.

This was a subjective position based on professional experience and feedback was provided where needed.

You will see that some of the information contained within the attached documents has been removed. This information is personal data as defined by the General Data Protection Regulations. As it is information about someone else by law I'm unable to give this to you. Release of this information to anyone other than the subject of the information would mean the council would be in breach of Principle 1, which states that personal data shall be processed (used) fairly and lawfully. There are sometimes reasons why we can share personal information, such as those set out in Article 6; in this case none of the conditions in Article 6 have been met. This means that the section 40 exemption of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA) is engaged.

If you are unhappy with my response, you can complain or ask for a review of your request by writing to us within 40 working days of receiving this response. The full procedure is on our website at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/foi>. This should be addressed to:

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We would like to hear your views on our service. If you'd like to tell us how we did, you can complete our feedback form online at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/foifedback>

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely,

Ethan Hawkins
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