

Environmental Information Regulations – Response - 27041

I'm doing a little research to understand how councils manage their garage sites and how these spaces are being used or repurposed as part of wider neighbourhood improvements. Please treat this as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I'd be grateful for anything you can share on the following:

1. Garage stock

- How many garages does the council own or manage*
- How many are currently let, vacant, or decommissioned/awaiting redevelopment*

2. Who uses them (rough percentages)

- Council tenants*
- Other local residents*
- Businesses*

3. Which service or team is responsible for managing garage assets?

4. When was the last stock survey carried out?

5. Is day to day management and maintenance handled in house?

6. Typical monthly rent for a garage.

7. Approximate annual income from garage lettings.

*8. Any common issues or complaints about garage sites over the past five years.
(e.g. condition, security, anti social behaviour)*

9. Any recent or planned reviews or redevelopment of garage sites

10. Any documents, if easily available, showing community engagement or wider impacts considered in these projects.

I completely understand that not all of this information may be easy to pull together, so a summary or partial responses are absolutely fine.

We are writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, it has been established that the information you requested is not held by Suffolk County Council.

If you have not already done so, then you may wish to write to the Borough and District Councils of Suffolk:

- Babergh Mid Suffolk District Council*

babergh.gov.uk / midsuffolk.gov.uk

- East Suffolk*

https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/home/SearchForm/?url=/home/SearchForm&Search=freedom+of+information&fo=8&action_results=Go

- West Suffolk*

<https://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/Council/Data-and-information/freedom-of-information.cfm>

- Ipswich Borough Council*

<https://www.ipswich.gov.uk/search?s=freedom+of+information>

