



**REQUEST 17466**

**RESPONSE**

We have been commissioned by the National Custom & Self-build Association to undertake an assessment of the size and growth of the self-build and custom housebuilding market in the UK ... In this context, can you please provide the following data in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

1. The total number of individuals and associations of individuals on your local authority's statutory Self Build and Custom Housebuilding Register, as defined under the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended), as at 30 October 2023. Where your local authority has divided the register into two parts, please provide the total number for both parts of the register.
2. The total number of planning permissions (including permissions in principle) your local authority has granted for self-build and custom housebuilding under Section 2A(2) of the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended), between 31 October 2022 and 30 October 2023. Please provide number of permissions and total number of dwellings.
3. Where your local authority is a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charging authority, the number of self-build housing exemption claim applications (CIL Form 7 part 1: Self Build Exemption claim) the authority has received between 31 October 2022 and 30 October 2023. Please provide number of applications and total number of dwellings subject to claim applications.
4. The total number of dwellings for self-build and custom housebuilding, as defined under the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended), expected to be delivered as a result of site allocations or policies seeking a percentage of such forms of housebuilding on housing sites in an adopted development plan for the local authority area (please provide development plan period).

From the First Base Period (30<sup>th</sup> October 2016) through to the eighth base period (30<sup>th</sup> October 2023), we have received a total of 69 individual applicants. We have had no group applicants join the register.

19 approvals  
25 homes

Not applicable, the local authority is not a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charging authority.

We do not have a dedicated local plan policy presently regarding self and custom build that seeks a percentage of such forms of house building.

The Council's new Local Plan is in preparation, and it is anticipated that it will include a policy criterion for self and custom build.

In this context, the Council does not currently have a target number of dwellings for self-build and custom housebuilding to be delivered as a result of site allocations or policies seeking a percentage of such forms of housebuilding on housing sites in its adopted development plan.