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(CCC) Local Authority Search

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from whomever deals with local authority search (also known as local land charges search) enquiries from solicitors, as part of the conveyancing process.

Could you please provide the following information:

- 1. Your current waiting/turnaround time for a local authority search (also known as local land charges search) enquiry to be completed. If feasible, we would like a waiting time for each type of search (LLC1, CON29, CON290). If this is not possible, a waiting time for all search types is fine.
- 2. Data on how many of these searches you completed in these months:
- August 2018
- August 2019
- August 2020

In this instance, we only need one total search figure per month stated (not figures for LLC1, CON29, CON290). If historic data is not available, then a figure just for August 2020 if fine.

Please provide the information via email (responding to this address).

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

Response:

Thank you for your request for information above, which we have dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I hope the following will answer your query:

- 1. Our current turnaround time is 10 working days
- 2. The figures are as follow:
- August 2018 Unavailable for SCDC. 166 for Cambridge City
- August 2019 354 for SCDC. 154 for Cambridge City.
- August 2020 369 for combined local land charge shared service.

Further queries on this matter should be directed to foi@cambridge.gov.uk