

Caroline Grist

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 August 2026 11:27
To: East 2
Cc: planningappeals; Caroline Grist
Subject: Appeal 6008556 (LPA Ref: DM/25/1912) - Broadhurst Stables, Broadhurst Manor Road, Horsted Keynes, West Sussex, RH17 7BG

Dear Inspectorate

Further to my latest submission in this matter, please find below the response from the Council regarding the documents disclosed pursuant to my EIR/FOIA request, in which they confirm that they have provided all documents not available on the planning portal in relation to the following. These go to the assessment of the Property as an NDHA in 2019 when it had previously not been so identified (no correspondence has been provided that indicates that any criteria for identification of NDHAs were applied by the Council, nor indeed is there any indication that such criteria have been adopted by the Council) and the Conservation Officer's Comment in the application that gives rise to this appeal (cited in the Delegated Report) that "extensive discussions...took place during the course of the previous applications":

QUOTE

The information requested is the Council's recorded information concerning the two 2019 retrospective planning applications at Broadhurst Stables, Broadhurst Manor Road, Horsted Keynes, RH17 7BG – references DM/19/0978 (refused) and DM/19/2790 (approved) – and specifically:

1. all internal and external correspondence (including emails), file notes and officer notes concerning the identification of Broadhurst Stables as a non-designated heritage asset, including any assessment of its heritage significance and the criteria applied;
2. the Conservation Officer's advice and any related correspondence on those applications, including in relation to the setting of Broadhurst Manor and the adjacent listed buildings; and
3. correspondence and notes concerning the basis on which the amended scheme in DM/19/2790 was agreed, including the landscaping and green-roof arrangements and the removal of permitted development rights.

UNQUOTE

I should be grateful if this message could be put before the Inspector, so that they are updated on the latest information from the Council.

Best wishes

[REDACTED]

From: Freedom of Information <foi@midsussex.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2026 17:32

[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: EIR/FOIA request dated 16 June 2026/ Our Ref R343427

Dear Kevin,

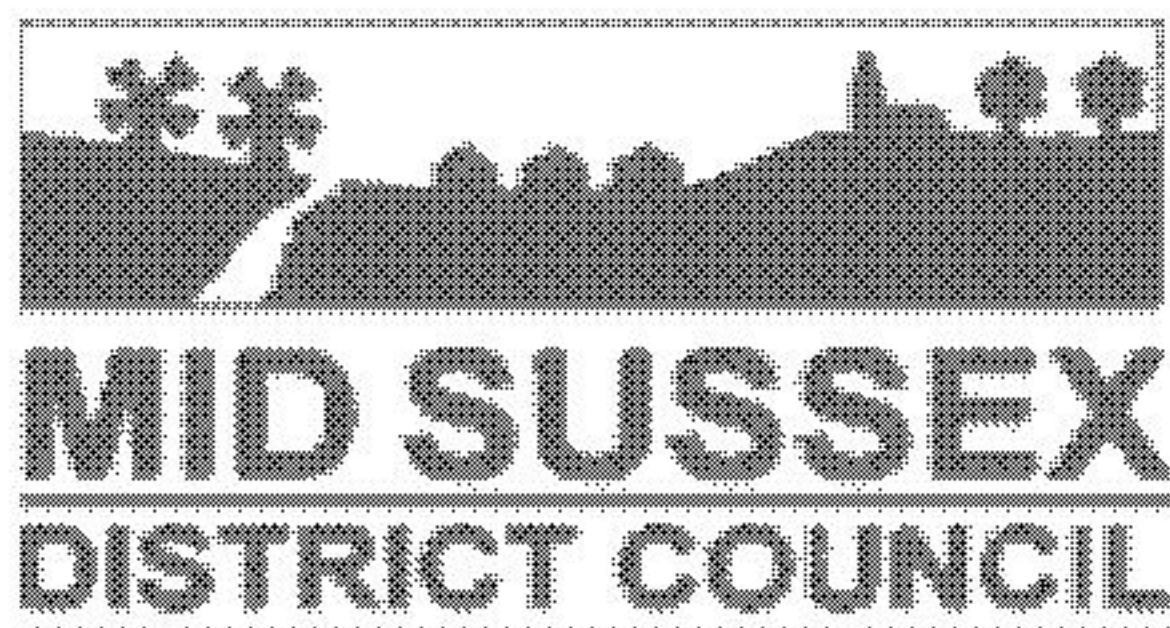
Thank you for your email. We have reviewed your request in conjunction with the planning team.

To clarify, all information within the scope of your request that is not available on the planning portal was provided to you in our initial response. This was what was meant when it was stated that all relevant information had been provided. We did not intend to imply that any information within the scope of your request had been withheld, and apologise for any misunderstanding. We hope this clarifies matters and that you have a good weekend. Thank you.

Kind regards,

Alfred Stokes Myers
Member Services Officer
He/Him

Mid Sussex District Council
alfred.stokesmyers@midsussex.gov.uk
Direct Line: 01444 477084
www.midsussex.gov.uk



Working together for a better Mid Sussex

Sent: 16 July 2026 10:43

To: Freedom of Information <foi@midsussex.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: EIR/FOIA request dated 16 June 2026/ Our Ref R343427

Dear FOA/EIC team

Thank you for your message and the clarification on timings: I indeed failed to recognise the significance of the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne and its effect on time limits in Mid-Sussex! I stand corrected.

In respect of items 1 and 2 of my request, your response states that "all *relevant* information is held on the public planning documents" (my emphasis). With respect, relevance is not for the Council to determine. So that the position is beyond doubt, I should be grateful if you would expressly confirm that the Council holds no recorded information falling within items 1 and 2 beyond the documents already on the public planning file, and that the documents you have provided in relation to item 3 of my request are also *all* of those on the file (not just what the Council may consider to be relevant).

As this is a clarification of the position you have already stated rather than a fresh search, I would ask that you provide it by return. For context, this information is relevant to a live appeal before the

Planning Inspectorate (ref. 6008556; LPA ref. DM/25/1912) in which the Council's comments are due imminently, and I wish to ensure that any further information that I might place before the Inspector is accurate.

Best wishes
[REDACTED]

From: Freedom of Information <foi@midsussex.gov.uk>

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 14:38

[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: EIR/FOIA request dated 16 June 2026/ Our Ref R343427

[REDACTED]

Thank you for your request, which has been dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by the Council and has been provided below and as an attachment.

We just want to clarify that under s.10 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, “working day” means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a day which is a bank holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 in any part of the United Kingdom. On 13th July 2026, there was a bank holiday in Northern Ireland, and therefore our deadline to respond to your request is today, 15th July 2026.

1. all internal and external correspondence (including emails), file notes and officer notes concerning the identification of Broadhurst Stables as a non-designated heritage asset, including any assessment of its heritage significance and the criteria applied; - **All relevant information is held on the public planning documents. There is no additional correspondence.**

2. the Conservation Officer's advice and any related correspondence on those applications, including in relation to the setting of Broadhurst Manor and the adjacent listed buildings; and - **All relevant information is held on the public planning documents. There is no additional correspondence.**

3. correspondence and notes concerning the basis on which the amended scheme in DM/19/2790 was agreed, including the landscaping and green-roof arrangements and the removal of permitted development rights. - **Please attached PDF bundle regarding correspondence, which is currently not held on the public file.**

Please note that information relating to personal data has been redacted as per Regulation 12(3) and Regulation 13 of the EIR.

If you are unhappy with how we have handled your request, you may ask for an internal review by contacting Julie Galvin , Assistant Director Governance, at Mid Sussex District Council, Oaklands, Oaklands Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1SS, email: julie.galvin@midsussex.gov.uk, and quoting your Reference Number (contained in the subject bar). You have a maximum of 40 working days in which to request a review.

If you still remain dissatisfied with the response you can complain to the Information Commissioner - details available at: <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>.

Information provided under the FOI Act 2000 cannot be re-used, except for personal study and non-commercial research or for news reporting and reviews, without the permission of the Council. Please see the Council website <https://www.midsussex.gov.uk/about-us/open-government-licence/> for further information or contact the FOI Team.

Kind Regards,

FOI/EIR Team

Governance

foi@midsussex.gov.uk

Working together for a better Mid Sussex

Sent: 15 July 2026 06:46

To: Freedom of Information <foi@midsussex.gov.uk>

Cc: Caroline Grist <caroline.grist@midsussex.gov.uk>; planningappeals <planningappeals@midsussex.gov.uk>

Subject: EIR/FOIA request dated 16 June 2026

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to my request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (in the alternative, the Freedom of Information Act 2000), submitted and acknowledged at 1612 on Tuesday 16 June 2026, seeking background correspondence from 2019 relating to planning applications DM/19/0978 and DM/19/2790.

Under regulation 5(2) EIR, the Council was required to make the requested information available as soon as possible, and in any event no later than twenty working days after the date of receipt. The equivalent calculation under section 10(1) FOIA produces the same date which, by my calculation, was yesterday. As at the date of this message, I do not seem to have received either a substantive response nor a notice under regulation 7 extending the period on grounds of complexity and volume, which would in any event have needed to have been given within the initial twenty working days.

■

I therefore believe that the Council is accordingly now in breach of its statutory obligation. I appreciate that resourcing pressures can arise, and I would prefer to resolve this informally. I therefore invite the Council to provide its substantive response by close of business on Tuesday 21 July 2026.

If no substantive response is received by that date, I will request an internal review of the Council's handling of the request under regulation 11 EIR, and I reserve the right thereafter to complain to the Information Commissioner under regulation 18 and section 50 FOIA.

I should be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this email and confirm the position. I am copying the Planning Officer and the generic Planning Appeals email address, for their information.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted signature]

Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2026 16:12
To: Freedom of Information <foi@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: EIR/FOIA request

Dear Sir or Madam

I make the following request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, and (insofar as any part of it should fall outside those Regulations) in the alternative under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am directed to this route by Caroline Grist, Senior Planning Officer.

The information requested is the Council's recorded information concerning the two 2019 retrospective planning applications at Broadhurst Stables, Broadhurst Manor Road, Horsted Keynes, RH17 7BG – references DM/19/0978 (refused) and DM/19/2790 (approved) – and specifically:

1. all internal and external correspondence (including emails), file notes and officer notes concerning the identification of Broadhurst Stables as a non-designated heritage asset, including any assessment of its heritage significance and the criteria applied;
2. the Conservation Officer's advice and any related correspondence on those applications, including in relation to the setting of Broadhurst Manor and the adjacent listed buildings; and
3. correspondence and notes concerning the basis on which the amended scheme in DM/19/2790 was agreed, including the landscaping and green-roof arrangements and the removal of permitted development rights.

I should be content to receive the information by email. If there are any documents that fall within the above requests in relation to which you intend to rely on an exception or exemption, I should be grateful if you would identify them and state the reasons.

For completeness, I am the appellant in appeal reference 6008556 (LPA reference DM/25/1912), which concerns the same property.

I should be grateful if you would acknowledge safe receipt.

Yours faithfully



The information contained in this email may be subject to public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Unless the information contained in this email is legally exempt from disclosure, we cannot guarantee that we will not provide the whole or part of this email to a third party making a request for information about the subject matter of this email. This email and any attachments may contain confidential information and is intended only to be seen and used by the

named addressees. If you are not the named addressee, any use, disclosure, copying, alteration or forwarding of this email and its attachments is unauthorised. If you have received this email in error please notify the sender immediately by email or by calling +44 (0) 1444 458 166 and remove this email and its attachments from your system. The views expressed within this email and any attachments are not necessarily the views or policies of Mid Sussex District Council. We have taken precautions to minimise the risk of transmitting software viruses, but we advise you to carry out your own virus checks before accessing this email and any attachments. Except where required by law, we shall not be responsible for any damage, loss or liability of any kind suffered in connection with this email and any attachments, or which may result from reliance on the contents of this email and any attachments.

The information contained in this email may be subject to public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Unless the information contained in this email is legally exempt from disclosure, we cannot guarantee that we will not provide the whole or part of this email to a third party making a request for information about the subject matter of this email. This email and any attachments may contain confidential information and is intended only to be seen and used by the named addressees. If you are not the named addressee, any use, disclosure, copying, alteration or forwarding of this email and its attachments is unauthorised. If you have received this email in error please notify the sender immediately by email or by calling +44 (0) 1444 458 166 and remove this email and its attachments from your system. The views expressed within this email and any attachments are not necessarily the views or policies of Mid Sussex District Council. We have taken precautions to minimise the risk of transmitting software viruses, but we advise you to carry out your own virus checks before accessing this email and any attachments. Except where required by law, we shall not be responsible for any damage, loss or liability of any kind suffered in connection with this email and any attachments, or which may result from reliance on the contents of this email and any attachments.