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Guide to Information April 2024

Blairtummock Housing Association & Blairtummock & Rogerfield Opportunities Guide to Information

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Definition of terms used in this document

Terms Used	Explanation
FOISA	Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
	Places a duty on those organisations covered to proactively publish certain types of information; and to respond to requests for information; and to provide advice and assistance to those making requests for information.
EIRs	Environmental Information Regulations (Scotland) 2004
	Those organisations covered by EIRs have a duty to respond to requests for environmental information.
SIC	The Scottish Information Commissioner
	Who is responsible for ensuring that those bodies covered by FOISA and EIRs comply with the terms of the legislation.
MPS	Model Publication Scheme
	Produced by the SIC – this details all of the information that those subject to FOISA should publish (if they hold it)
Guide to Information	A guide that all organisations subject to FOISA and adopting the MPS must produce to help people access the information it makes available.
Classes of Information	Nine broad categories describing the types of information authorities should publish (if they hold it).

Background

The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) requires that all housing associations/co-operatives in Scotland must produce and maintain a publication scheme. This must detail all of the key information that we publish and how you can access it. This Guide to Information is our publication scheme, and contains links to where you can find all of the information listed online.

Blairtummock Housing Association & Blairtummock & Rogerfield Opportunities has adopted the Scottish Information Commissioner's (SIC) <u>Model Publication Scheme (MPS)</u>, and this Guide has been approved by the SIC.

To view our Freedom of Information Policy, please <u>click here</u>.

Formats other than online

All of the information listed is available on our website (unless stated), and completely free to access online. However, we understand that not everyone will have online access and where this is the case you can contact us to view this in our office.

If you would like a printed copy of any of the information listed, we may have to charge a small fee to provide this. This fee will never exceed the cost of photocopying and postage – and we will let you know any total cost before we forward this to you.

Our charges for providing any information detailed in this guide are summarised below:

Format	Charge
Online	Free
View at our office	Free
Print in black and white	10 per A4 sheet & 20p per A3 sheet
Print in colour	20p per A4 sheet & 40p per A3 sheet
CD Rom	50p
Posted document/CD Rom	Cost of postage incurred

If you would like to request information that we publish in a format other than online, or arrange a visit to our office to view information, please contact:

Freedom of Information Lead on 0141 773 0202 or enquiries@blairtummock.org.uk

Information that we cannot publish

Whilst we will try to make all of the information we have detailed available, in rare cases there may be some information that we cannot make available. For example, sometimes if we were to publish certain minutes, it could reveal personal details about an individual. This would be a breach of Data Protection legislation if we were to do so. When this is the case, we will remove any personal details before publication and highlight where and why we have done so.

For how long will information be published?

We aim, where possible, to publish information for at least the current and previous two financial years. When we review any document – e.g. our policies – to avoid confusion we will only publish the current version once it has been updated.

Copyright and re-use

Where we hold the copyright on our published information, the information may be copied or reproduced without formal permission, provided that:

- It is copied accurately
- It is not used in a misleading context
- The source of the material is identified

Contact us

If you have any queries about anything contained within this Guide to Information, or if there is some information that you cannot find that you would like to access, please contact:

Blairtummock Housing Association 45 Boyndie Street Easterhouse G34 9JL <u>enquiries@blairtummock.org.uk</u> Telephone: 0141 773 0202

The Information that we make available to you

Under the MPS, the information we provide must be listed under certain "classes" of information. These are the categories of information that are detailed below. As FOI applies to other bodies and sectors across Scotland – such as Scottish Government and Councils for example –this means that not all of the categories in the MPS apply to housing associations/co-operatives.

The details of all the information we hold under each of the classes that apply to our organisation, and hyperlinks to access this information when available online, are outlined below.

Information	Where to access	
Class 1 – About BHA & BRO Information about BHA, who we are, where to find us, how to contact us, how we are managed and our external relations.		
Descriptions of who we are		
Missions Statement	Click Here	
Vision	Click Here	
Corporate Objectives	Click Here	
Area(s) of operation	Click Here	
Key activities; strategic/corporate plans	Click Here	
Business Plan (or summary)	Click Here	
Customer Services Policy	Click Here	
Location and opening arrangement	S	
Address	45 Boyndie Street Easterhouse GLASGOW G34 9JL	
Telephone number and e-mail address for general enquiries (and dedicated lines where appropriate)	T: 0141 773 0202 E: <u>enquiries@blairtummock.org.uk</u>	
Opening times	9am – 5pm Monday & Thursday 9am – 1pm Tuesday & Wednesday Closed Friday Telephones available: 9am – 5pm Monday – Thursday 9am – 3.30pm Friday.	

General contact arrangements	As above
Details for making a complaint	Click Here
Information	Where to Access
Information relating to Freedom of	Information
Publication Scheme and Guide to Information	This document
Charging Schedule for Published Information	This document (See page 3)
Contact details and advice on	E: enquiries@blairtummock.org.uk
making an FOI request.	T: 0141 773 0202
Freedom of Information policies and procedures	Click Here
Charging schedule for environmental	Click Here
information provided in response to requests made under EIRs	
About our Governing Body	
List of Governing Body Members	Click Here
Names	
When they became a	
governing body member	
 Professional biographical 	
details	
 Office-bearing responsibilities 	
 When they became an office 	
bearer	
Description of the role of the	
Governing Body	
Governance structure chart	<u>Click Here</u>
(including sub-committees and	
working groups);	Click Horo
Remits for governing body and any sub-committees	<u>Click Here</u>
any sub-committees How to become part of the governing	Click Here
body	<u>Click Here</u>
About our staff	
List of senior management team,	Click Here
including professional biography and	
contact details	
Organisational structure	Click Here
Governance Documents and Corpo	
Rules	Click Here

Standing Order	Click Here
Membership Policy	Click Here

Information	Where to access		
Code of Conduct for Staff	Click Here		
Code of Conduct for Governing Body	Click Here		
Members			
Entitlements, Payments and Benefits	Click Here		
Policy (or equivalent, including			
arrangements for payments for			
expenses and subsistence)			
Register of Interests	Click Here		
Equalities Policy	Click Here		
Health & Safety Policy	EVH Health & Safety Manual		
Sustainability Policy	Click Here		
Relationship with Regulators			
Engagement plan with Scottish	Click Here		
Housing Regulator			
Assurance Statement	Click Here		
Annual Return on Charter	Click Here		
Submission to SHR			
Financial Returns to SHR	Click Here		
OSCR Information	Click Here		
Charter report to tenants	Click Here		
Internal and External Audit	External & Internal – Alexander		
arrangements	Sloan - <u>Click Here</u>		
Group Details			
Details of our subsidiaries	Click Here		
Key Partnerships			
Strategic agreements with other	N/A		
organisations			
Class 2 – How we deliver our functi	Class 2 – How we deliver our functions and services		
Information about our work, our strate	Information about our work, our strategy and policies for delivering services		
and information for our service users.			
How to use our services			
List of services provided	Click Here		
How to report a repair	Click Here		
Right to Repair information	Click Here		
How to apply for a house	Click Here		

Information	Where to access
How to get information about	Click Here
tenancy support	
How to make a complaint	Click Here
How to speak to a housing officer	0141 773 0202
	enquiries@blairtummock.org.uk
How we consult with tenants and	Click Here
other customers to inform and	
improve service delivery and	
develop new services	
Policies and Procedures – Link to c	
Allocations Policy	Click Here *
Adaptations Policy	Click Here Section 10 *
Anti-social Behaviour Policy	Click Here *
Asbestos Management Policy	Click Here Section 11 *
Arrears Management Policy	Click Here *
Asset Management Policy (including	Available approx. June 2021 or
stock condition information)	when Covid pandemic is over
Customer Care Policy	<u>Click Here</u>
Data Protection Policy	Click Here
Equality and Diversity Policy	Click Here *
Estate Management Policy	Click Here *
Health & Safety Policy and	EVH Health & Safety Manual
Procedures	
Procurement Policy	Click Here Section 11
Risk Management Policy	Click Here
Rent Setting Policy	Available April 2022
Maintenance Policy	Click Here *
Sustainability Policy	Click Here
Tenant Participation Policy	Click Here

Information	Where to access	
Tenancy Sustainment Policy	Click Here Section 17 *	
Internal procedures relating to above	N/A	
(where available)		
Class 3 – How we take decisions an	nd what we have decided	
Information about the decisions we tal	ke, how we make decisions and how	
we involve others		
Governing Body Meetings		
Governing body meeting minutes	Click Here	
Governing body agendas	Available on request	
Consultation and Participation		
Tenant Participation Strategy	Click Here	
Consultation reports noting the	Click Here	
outcome of any recent consultations		
with tenants/others		
Tenant scrutiny panel composition	N/A	
Class 4 – What we spend and how we spend it		
Information about our strategy for, and	d management of, financial resources	
(in sufficient details to explain how we	plan to spend public money and what	
has actually been spent).		
Information about our accounts and	d budgets	
Description of funding sources	Click Here	
Audited accounts	Click Here	
Budget policies and procedures	Click Here Section 14	
	Click Here Section 6	
Budget allocation to key service	Click Here	
areas		
Our programme of work and projec	ts	
Brief details of any project	Click Here	
funding and how it's being spent		
Capital works programme/plans	Click Here	
information (annual programme		
figure)		
Spending relating to Staff and Governing Body		
Expenses policies and procedures	Click Here	
Senior staff/governing body member	Click Here	
expenses at category level e.g.		
travel, subsistence and		
accommodation		
Board member remuneration other	N/A	
than expenses		

Information	Where to access
Pay and grading structure (levels of	Click Here
pay rather than individual salaries)	
General information about staff	Click Here
pension scheme	
Class 5 – How we manage our reso	urces
Information about how we manage ou	r human, physical and information
resources	
Human Resources	
Strategy and management of human	EVH Terms and Conditions
resources	
Staffing structure	Click Here
 Human resource policies, covering: Recruitment Performance management Salary and grading Succession planning Pensions Discipline Grievance Training & Development Policy Maintenance and retention of staff records 	EVH Terms and Conditions EVH Terms and Conditions <u>Click Here</u> <u>Click Here</u>
Internal procedures relating to the above (where available)	N/A
Trade Union Information	Click Here
Summary of professional	www.cih.org
organisations/trade bodies of which	www.evh.org.uk
we are a member	www.scotlandhousingnetwork.org
	www.sfha.co.uk
Physical Resources	
Management of our land and	Repairs & Maintenance Policy *
property assets, including	Sustainability Policy
environmental/sustainability reports	

Information	Where to access
General description of our land and	Click Here
property holdings	
Estate development plans	N/A
Information Resources	
Records management policy and	Click Here
records management plan, including	
records retention schedule	
Data protection or privacy policy	Click Here
	nd services from external providers
Information about how we procure wo	rks, goods and services, and our
contracts with external providers.	
Our Contractors and Suppliers	
Information about our key service	Click Here
delivery contractors who carry out:	
 Responsive repairs 	
 Landscape maintenance 	
 Planned/cyclical maintenance 	
List of suppliers and contractors	Click Here
used by organisation (provided to	
staff under our Entitlements	
Payments and Benefits Policy)	
Information about regulated	Click Here
procurement contracts awarded	
(value, scope, duration)	
Our Procurement	
Procurement policy and procedures	Click Here Section 11
Information on how to tender for	Click Here Section 12
work and invitations to tender	
Register of contracts awarded which	<u>Click Here</u>
have gone through formal tendering,	
including name of supplier, period of	
contract and value	
Links to procurement information we	Public Contracts Scotland
publish on Public Contracts Scotland	
website	Note insert Blairtummock Housing
	Association into the search facility at
	Buyer Name
Framework Agreements	N/A

Information	Where to access
Class 7 – How we are performing	
Information about how we perform as	an organisation, and how well we
deliver our functions and services	
Annual Report	Click Here
ARC report to tenants	Click Here
Performance standards/indicators	Click Here
Benchmarking information	Click Here
Complaints policy, guidance and	Click Here
forms	
Complaints reports or equivalent to	Click Here
show how complaints are handled	
and influence service delivery	
(aggregate reports rather than	
individual outcomes).	
Tenant scrutiny reports	N/A
Class 8 – Our commercial publication	
Information packaged and made avail	
and sold at market value through a retail outlet e.g. bookshop, museum or	
research journal	
This class does not apply to	N/A
Blairtummock Housing Association	
as we do not produce any	
publications for sale.	
Class 9 – Our open data	
Open data made available by us under the Scottish Government's Open	
Data Resource Pack and available under open licence.	
This class does not apply to	N/A
Blairtummock Housing Association	

** Policies that are to be updated by Association