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Dear Sir/Madam

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) Request ID: FOI487432946

Thank you for your request for information relating to biodiversity net gain.

You have requested the following information:

With regards to your work around biodiversity net gain, please can you tell me

1. How much you are currently charging, or plan to charge, developers for offsite biodiversity units so that they can meet their biodiversity net gain requirements

We do not currently have a fixed charge tariff for units. Currently, prior to mandatory biodiversity net gain our biodiversity offsetting charges are agreed through bespoke agreement with developers.

We are awaiting national guidance on biodiversity unit charging which we will use to set local competitively priced biodiversity unit prices.

2. What % of biodiversity net gain you are requiring, or expect to require, from developers

We require a minimum of 10% biodiversity net gain from developments as required by the Environment Act 2021. We will use our own internal and external expertise to ensure that the estimates provided by developers for onsite and offsite biodiversity net gain are valid in order to be confident that the required net gain will be delivered.

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Yours faithfully

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