

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR)

Decision notice

Date: **5 December 2025**

Public Authority: **London Borough of Bromley**

Address: **Bromley Civic Centre
Churchill Court
2 Westmoreland Road
Bromley
BR1 1AS**

1. Request:

The complainant requested the following information from London Borough of Bromley on 4 July 2025:

"Further to my Environmental Information Request submitted on 1 July 2025 concerning the introduction of the 1-metre strip condition applied to my crossover application (Ref: 4222651), I would like to request the following clarification, which falls fully within the scope and purpose of that original request.

1. Please confirm whether the Council holds any internal emails, meeting notes, or written communications—regardless of format—created between 9 and 16 April 2025 that refer to, discuss, or propose the 1-metre strip requirement formally introduced in your email of 16 April 2025.

If such records exist, I am formally requesting full disclosure under Regulation 5(1) of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

2. If any such internal communications exist, please identify the officer(s) who authored, approved, or recommended the 1-metre condition, and state whether this requirement is based on any written policy, internal guidance, or standard.

3. If no such records exist, please confirm explicitly whether the 1-metre strip condition was introduced without any written internal discussion, policy interpretation, or recorded rationale."

2. Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach regulation 5(2) of the EIR if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of regulation 5(2).

3. Steps:

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under the EIR.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

4. Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
General Regulatory Chamber
PO Box 11230
Leicester
LE1 8FQ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow.
Cheshire. SK9 5AF.**