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Is it possible to please access:

a) the ratio used to calculate the forecast impact of the development in East Linton in the mid-90's (planning permission was granted to Cala homes I believe) (Dunpender, Rennie Place, Longstone Avenue as shown on attached map)

East Lothian Council (ELC) does not hold this information. This would have been carried out by Lothian Regional Council prior to the establishment of East Lothian Council.*

- b) the actual roll impact on East Linton Primary due to this development
 - my records show the roll as 153 pupils in 1992, which increased to 207 by 2002 as a result of young families moving into the development, then fell back down to 147 in 2010 as the children went off to high school

ELC does not hold information prior to 2003/04 in a form that would enable us to determine the actual impact on the school roll at East Linton Primary School specifically as a result of this development.*

c) the ratio used to calculate the forecast impact of the development at Andrew Meikle Grove

The original forecast was carried out in 2008 by a previous post holder who has since left employment with ELC. Unfortunately, it is not possible to determine the exact ratios used in the calculations.*

d) the actual roll impact on East Linton Primary due to Andrew Meikle Grove development

A total of 34 primary pupils have lived within the new development between academic sessions 2013/14 and 2017/18. Of these 34 pupils, 28 are new pupils to East Linton Primary School. 19 of these 28 new pupils started the school during the 3 years of house build with the remaining new pupils starting over the last 2 years since the house build was complete.

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e) the ratio used to calculate the forecast impact of the proposed Orchardfield development

The Council does not use one specific ratio to forecast the cumulative impact of new houses on school rolls. The complete formula the Council uses to project the annual cumulative impact of new housing developments on primary school rolls over time is as follows:

Baseline school census roll

+

Average new build child per house ratio x no. of new houses in each build year (applied to the specific build years that new houses are projected to be built within)

+

net annual stage migration rate

(applied at each stage P1 through to P7 to reflect fluctuations that occur in inward/outward migration during the years of house build and following completion)

+

annual start of session projected P1 intake (including projected P1 pupils from the new houses)

The complete formula the Council uses to project the annual cumulative impact of new housing developments on secondary school rolls over time is as follows:

Baseline school census roll

+

Average new build child per house ratio x no. of new houses in each build year (applied to the specific build years that new houses are projected to be built within)

+

net annual stage migration rate

(applied at each stage S1 through to S6 to reflect fluctuations that occur in inward/outward migration during the years of house build and following completion)

+

annual P7-S1 transfer rate

(applied to the associated P7 cohort for the new S1 intake)

+

annual S4-S5 stay-on rate

(applied to the S4 cohort from the previous academic session)

+

annual S5-S6 stay-on rate

(applied to the S5 cohort from the previous academic session)

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*Freedom of Information legislation only applies to information which is held or recorded by a public authority. In view of this, under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I must formally advise you that ELC has been unable to comply with those parts of your request marked * as the information you require is not held.