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Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information dated 30/03/2023 about Camelot House is exempt from metering under The Heat Metering Regulations. We have dealt with this under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested.

I have been advised by Camden Council that Camelot House is exempt from metering under The Heat Metering Regulations.

- 1. Could you provide me with the reasons why Camelot House is deemed 'exempt'?**
- 2. Direct me to the relevant clauses in the document HEAT NETWORK (METERING AND BILLING) REGULATIONS 2014 (AS AMENDED IN 2015 AND 2020).**
- 3. How many properties in Camelot House are owned by leaseholders?**

The Heat Network (Metering and Billing) Regulations 2014 (amended 2020) divides buildings into 3 different classes.

- 'Viable' where it is mandatory that the council as a heat supplier install meters
- 'Open' where meters are required if it is cost effective to do so (according to the Cost effectiveness tool) and
- 'Exempt' where meters are not required.

A guidance document is provided that explains which buildings fall into each class. see link below https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/941673/heat-networks-guidance-on-metering-and-billing-regulations-2014.pdf

Its explained under section 16.4 in the guidance why Camelot House is exempt but out of interest I have put it through the cost effectiveness tool to see if it would have qualified for meters had it been in the open class. The result, which weighs up the cost of installing meters and the reduced spend on energy its assumed they bring, against the cost of continuing current energy consumption over a 10 year period showed that it would not be cost effective to install meters.

We are required to resubmit our housing stock connected to heat networks through this exercise again next year and due to the significant rise in energy costs recently the outcome may be different.

Finally, 38 out of 95 properties at Camelot House are leasehold.

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Yours sincerely

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