

Request

This is an Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request regarding new intensive poultry farms.

- 1) How many planning applications have been filed with your council between 01/01/23 and the day this request is processed with regard to a new intensive poultry farm (if you need a specific capacity, I define "intensive" in the same way as the Environment Agency, that is, >40,000 birds)?
- 2) How many of these applications have you approved to date?
- 3) For each approved application, please provide a brief summary of the new intensive poultry farm, including (where possible) the farm's capacity, acreage, ownership details, address and Eastings and Northings.

For all approved farms, I would also like to request any planning application documents (including any environmental assessments submitted to the Council) and any approval documents sent from the Council to the applicants.

Response

This information is available via the Council's website. Please click on the following link;

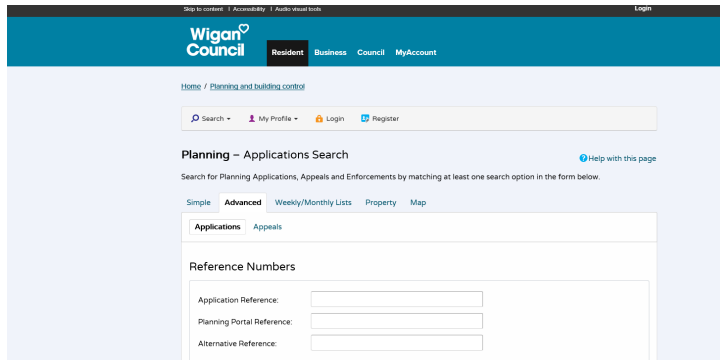
<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Planning-and-Building-Control/Planning/Search-planning-applications.aspx>

Brief instructions as below:

Quick Advanced Search

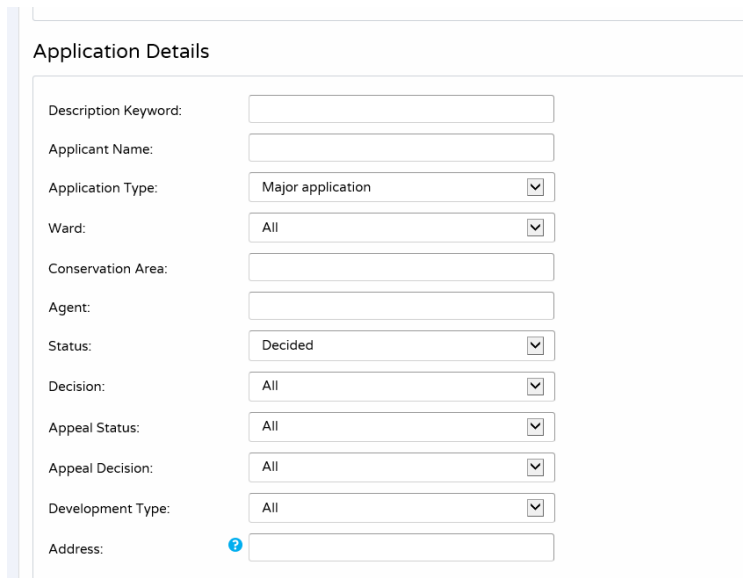
Click on the following link <https://planning.wigan.gov.uk/online-applications/>

Select Advanced, Applications



The screenshot shows the Wigan Council website's 'Planning - Applications Search' page. The page has a blue header with the Wigan Council logo and navigation links for Resident, Business, Council, and MyAccount. Below the header is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and a 'Search' button. To the right of the search bar are links for 'My Profile', 'Login', and 'Register'. The main content area is titled 'Planning - Applications Search' and includes a sub-header 'Search for Planning Applications, Appeals and Enforcements by matching at least one search option in the form below.' There are four tabs: 'Simple', 'Advanced', 'Weekly/Monthly Lists', 'Property', and 'Map'. The 'Advanced' tab is selected. Below the tabs is a 'Reference Numbers' section with three input fields: 'Application Reference', 'Planning Portal Reference', and 'Alternative Reference'.

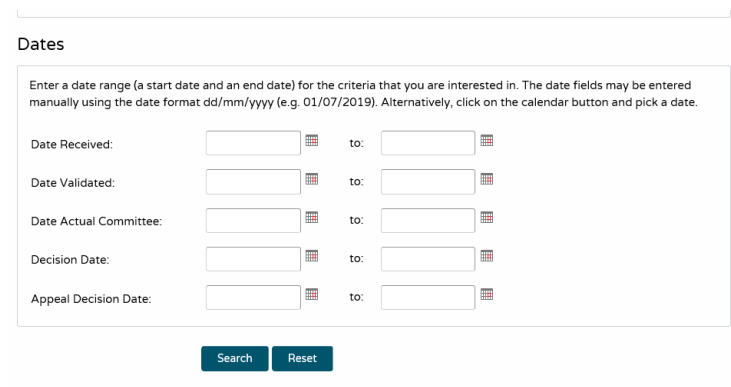
Select in the Application Type, select the type of application you are looking for and the Development Type box, select the type of application you are looking for



The screenshot shows the 'Application Details' form. It contains several input fields and dropdown menus:

- Description Keyword:
- Applicant Name:
- Application Type: (dropdown)
- Ward: (dropdown)
- Conservation Area:
- Agent:
- Status: (dropdown)
- Decision: (dropdown)
- Appeal Status: (dropdown)
- Appeal Decision: (dropdown)
- Development Type: (dropdown)
- Address: (with a help icon)

Enter a date range (a start date and an end date) for the criteria that you are interested in and search.



The screenshot shows the 'Dates' form. It contains a text box with instructions: 'Enter a date range (a start date and an end date) for the criteria that you are interested in. The date fields may be entered manually using the date format dd/mm/yyyy (e.g. 01/07/2019). Alternatively, click on the calendar button and pick a date.' Below the text box are five rows of date fields, each with a 'to:' label and a calendar icon:

- Date Received: to:
- Date Validated: to:
- Date Actual Committee: to:
- Decision Date: to:
- Appeal Decision Date: to:

At the bottom of the form are two buttons: 'Search' and 'Reset'.