

31 May 2019 Our ref: 5316828

Thank you for your request received on 15 May 2019, for the following information:

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following financial information from London Borough of Barnet A. Total gross local authority expenditure (actual spending) on all adult learning disability services for the financial year 2017/18

B. Please provide the following breakdown of [A]:

1. Gross local authority expenditure (actual spending) on residential services for adults with a learning disability for the financial year 2017/18

2. If available, please provide the breakdown of [B1] expenditure for services for people aged 18-64 and for those 65+

3. Gross local authority expenditure (actual spending) on supported living accommodation for adults with a learning disability in 2017/18

4. If available, please provide the breakdown of [B3] expenditure for services for people aged 18-64 and for those 65+

C. Please provide the gross expenditure (actual spending) of [A] as broken down by:

- 1. Directly provided local authority services
- 2. Commissioned through contracts with for-profit providers
- 3. Commissioned through contracts with not-for-profits providers

D. Total gross local authority expenditure (actual spending) on all adult learning disability services in 2018/19

E. Please provide the following breakdown of [D]:

1. Gross local authority expenditure (actual spending) on residential services for adults with a learning disability for the financial year 2018/19

2. If available, please provide the breakdown of [E1] expenditure for services for people aged 18-64 and for those 65+

3. Gross local authority expenditure (actual spending) on supported living accommodation for adults with a learning disability in 2018/19

4. If available, please provide the breakdown of [E3] expenditure for services for people aged 18-64 and for those 65+

F. Please provide the gross expenditure (actual spending) of [D] as broken down by:

- 1. Directly provided local authority services
- 2. Commissioned through contracts with for-profit providers
- 3. Commissioned through contracts with not-for-profit providers

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

However, we consider that the following exemptions apply to some of the information requested. The remaining information is not withheld and is below.

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We consider that the qualified exemption set out in Section 22 subsection 2 (Information intended for future publication) applies to the information requested.

Therefore, we have decided to withhold the information.

In applying this exemption, we have had to balance the public interest in withholding the information against the interest in favour of disclosure.

Factors in favour of disclosure

The council's commitment to transparency Public interest in how public funds are spent

Factors in favour of withholding

Inefficient use of public resources by releasing information in an ad-hoc rather than a planned way. Publication is planned for August in NHS Digital.

In all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <u>http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</u>

Advice and Assistance : Direct Marketing

If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

Your rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information Management Team at: <u>foi@barnet.gov.uk</u>. Or by post to Information Management Team (FOI) The London Borough of Barnet, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London, N11 1NP

If, having exhausted our review procedure, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you will have a right to appeal to the Information

Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (telephone: 0303 123 1113; website www.ico.org.uk). There is no charge for making an appeal.