



Assurance Group
London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
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Our ref: 5424428

Thank you for your request received on 27 June 2019, for the following information:

Please tell me how many Mayoral Limousines are currently in use.

Are they leased, or owned by the authority?

Please tell me how much they cost, if owned, or if leased, the monthly or annual charge.

When were they acquired?

How much are the annual costs of running these vehicles, in terms of the driver, petrol, insurance, and any other bills?

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below

Please tell me how many Mayoral Limousines are currently in use.

The Council does not have any mayoral limousines. A car is available to transport mayoral representatives to official engagements. Details of the current and previous vehicle are set out in the attached Chief Officer Decision.

Are they leased, or owned by the authority?

Owned – see attached

Please tell me how much they cost, if owned, or if leased, the monthly or annual charge.

When were they acquired?

See attached

How much are the annual costs of running these vehicles, in terms of the driver, petrol, insurance, and any other bills?

Annual running costs are set out below. Please note that the running costs for 17/18 and part of 18/19 were related to the previous vehicle, a 2009 Jaguar XJ Sovereign, which was becoming prohibitively expensive to run. See attached for justification.

17/18

Petrol/Parking/Congestion charge = £1777

Insurance/Tax/Hire car = £2252

Repairs and Maintenance = £ 5286

18/19

Petrol/Parking/Congestion charge = £1458

Insurance/Tax/Hire car/Overheads = £5597

Repairs and Maintenance = £ 3373

2019 to date (3 July):

Fuel only = £194

Parking = 0

Congestion Charge = £11.50

Mayoral representatives are generally driven by Mayoral Support Officers, but occasionally relief drivers are used. Up until recently the council employed x1 Senior Mayoral Support Officer (Grade G) and x1 part-time Mayoral Support Officer (Grade F). As of 13 May 2019 the post of part-time Mayoral Support Officer was deleted. Pay scales are below:

Salaries 2019/20

new rates wef April

19

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Min</i>	<i>Max</i>
<i>Grade F</i>	25,353	5 28,21
<i>Grade G</i>	28,215	8 31,54

It should be noted that driving is not the only duty of Mayoral Support Officers, therefore a specific cost for a driver has not been included in this response.

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. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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