



Assurance Group
London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
9 July 2019
Our ref: 5429129

Thank you for your request received on 2 July 2019, for the following information:

Regarding the report (agenda item 7) on the changes to the Public Participation Rules that was brought to Constitution and General Purposes committee on 25 July 2019:

- 1) on what date was the first draft of the report written?**
- 2) on what date was it finalised?**
- 3) which councillors were consulted during the preparation of this report?**
- 4) was legal advice taken during the preparation of this report?**

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

Regarding the report (agenda item 7) on the changes to the Public Participation Rules that was brought to Constitution and General Purposes committee on 25 July 2019:

- 1) on what date was the first draft of the report written?***

9 May 2019

- 2) on what date was it finalised?***

17 June 2019

- 3) which councillors were consulted during the preparation of this report?***

The Chair and Vice Chair of the Constitution and General Purposes Committee and the Leader Elect were consulted. A copy of the report was circulated to all Conservative Members as well as the Leader of the Opposition.

- 4) was legal advice taken during the preparation of this report?***

The Monitoring Officer provided legal advice in relation to this report

Further information

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